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PREFACE.

The latter half of the year 1538 was marked by a revival of those vindictive executions by which Henry's subjects were so repeatedly warned of the danger that attended treason. The most distinguished victims of the King's severity fell in December; but even in August there were one or two whose fate deserves to be noticed. By this time it might have been supposed that the rebellion in the North, at least, had been fully expiated; but if anyone imagined that the King would be satisfied with hanging a host of active and willing insurgents, he did not know Henry. Weakness in yielding to rebels was to him the same thing as rebellion, and required to be dealt with in the same way. Time only might be necessary in some cases to give effect to the decisive blow without making enemies of all the world at once. For this cause, apparently, the proceedings against Thomas Miller, Lancaster herald, for having bowed the knee to Aske, and endeavoured to pacify the rebels with assurances that their demands would be conceded, were only taken a year and a half after the date of his offences. Private enmity on the part of two other members of the Heralds' College seems also to have assisted in procuring his ruin.[1] He was tried at York assizes, along with Henry Litherland, vicar of Newark, and Robert Moreby, a monk of

[1] Part I., Nos. 1311–1313. Clarencieux King of Arms, Somerset herald, Rougedragon and Rougecross pursuivants were sent down to York at the King's expense, to give evidence against him. *See* p. 534 (of this Part).

Fountains abbey, who were accused of other treasons. All three were found guilty and suffered capitally, with fifteen more commonplace offenders.[1]

About the same time one Edmund Coningsby, a groom of the King's Chamber,[2] was convicted in London of having counterfeited the King's sign manual and privy signet, and was hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyburn.[3] There were also some attainders of felony and high treason at Exeter, which were not for political offences.[4]

Such cases can hardly be called characteristic of the times. But we get some insight into the social condition of the country from a case heard before certain justices of the peace in Lincolnshire at the end of August. One Thomas Bawmburgh, of Barrow, was brought before them for using "proud words" to the abbot of Thornton. He was rebuked by Thomas Dymok from the bench, who told him there were too many such busy fellows as he in the country. The man replied with an oath, "By God's blood, there will be "mo or they be fewer;" whereupon he was committed to the stocks. From the circumstances as reported one would say that he had brought his punishment upon himself; but apparently he had only given vent to feelings which were shared by many, and his father, Laurence Bawmburgh, reviled the constable who had apprehended him, saying, "This doing is polling (extor- "tion), and I trust this world will amend once." The constable, James Clarke, took down his words in writing and presented them to Sir William Ayscough next day at Stallingborough. But Sir William, apparently thinking that a justice of the peace ought not to encourage

[1] Nos. 7, 20, 42, 142, 156. [2] Compare Hall, 826; Stow, 574.
[3] Part I, No. 1462; and in this Part, Nos. 13, 72. [4] No. 21.

discord, said severely, "Get you home and agree together, "for you will never let till one of you undo another." The constable, however, was not to be silenced and carried the case to Sir Robert Tyrwhit, who found Laurence Bawmburgh's words "heinous against the King," and committed him to Lincoln Castle. The constable, moreover, complained of being interfered with by two other men both in this matter and some others. The chief of the two offenders was sentenced to stand an hour in the pillory, first at Barton and afterwards at Caister; the other at Barton only. Sir William Ayscough complained of these sentences as unprecedented in their severity; but one of his colleagues said they had the King's letter for the punisment of such offenders, and Sir Robert Tyrwhit gave him a severe rebuke for his indulgence towards disorderly characters.[1] It is clear that even a country justice in those days only laid himself open to censure by endeavouring to administer the law with gentleness.

The suppression of the monasteries, meanwhile, still went on. By various arts and means the heads of these establishments were induced to surrender, and occasionally, when an abbot was found, as in the case of Woburn, to have committed treason in the sense of recent statutes, the house (by a stretch of the tyrannical laws) was forfeited to the King by his attainder. But attainders certainly were exceptional, surrenders being the general rule. In May the abbey of Bordesley, in Worcestershire, surrendered to Dr. Legh,[2] and the great, historic abbey of Battle, in Sussex, to Dr. Layton.[3] Magnificent the latter must still have been externally, as its ruins are to this day; but the very grandeur of the Conqueror's design had been too costly to maintain, and

[1] No. 245. [2] Part I., No. 1073. [3] Ib., No. 1083.

the Visitor's remarks are a little humiliating:—"So "beggary a house I never see, nor so filthy stuff!"[1] In June Legh took the surrender of Halesowen, in Worcestershire,[2] and proceeded to Thurgarton, in Nottinghamshire, and thence again to Axholme, in Lincolnshire,[3] both of which houses likewise yielded to him. Bisham, in Berkshire, which had been already dissolved in the preceding year as a priory, and refounded by the King as an abbey (apparently to please Jane Seymour) with endowments from the spoils of Chertsey,[4] surrendered again to Layton,[5] and a commission was sent down into Wales to take possession of its cell, the priory of Cardigan.[6] About the same time Welbeck, in Nottinghamshire, and Roche, in Yorkshire, surrendered to Dr. Peter.[7] In July Huntingdon priory and St. Katharine's, Lincoln, did the same to Dr. Legh[8]; and on the 27th of that month Layton, according to the Close Roll, took the surrender of Combermere in Cheshire. But either the date is an error, or Layton's name has been wrongly inserted in the inrolment; for it is certain that on the 30th he was in Kent and took the surrender of the venerable abbey of St. Augustine's, Canterbury.[9]

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[1] Ib., No. 1085. This is the house where William declared he would make wine more abundant than water was in other monasteries! Chronicon de Bello, 8.

[2] Ib., Nos. 1155, 1172.

[3] Ib., Nos. 1184, 1207.

[4] Vols. XII., Part II., Nos. 220, 1311 (22).

[5] Vol. XIII., Part I., No. 1218.

[6] Ib., No. 126; and Part II., No.

[7] Part I., Nos. 1222, 1248.

[8] Ib., Nos. 1360, 1378–9.

[9] Ib., Nos. 1476, 1503. The memorandum attached to the surrender of Combermere that it was acknowledged before Layton the same day appears only in the inrolment; but in the case of St. Augustine's, Canterbury, there is a memorandum to that effect on the original surrender, in Layton's own hand.

In August the great priory of Walsingham[1] was the principal booty. The image of Our Lady, which had been the object of so many pilgrimages, had not long before been removed, and Prior Vowel had petitioned, but petitioned in vain, that the house might at least be converted into a college. Dr. Peter[2] took the acknowledgment of the surrender. On the 25th St. James's Abbey, Northampton, surrendered to Dr. Layton;[3] on the 28th, St. Mary Pré Abbey, Leicester, yielded to Dr. Cave.[4] On the 1st September Dr. Legh captured the small priory of Fordham or Bigyng, and on the 3rd the abbey of nuns at Chateris, in Cambridgeshire.[5] On the 7th a surrender of Vale Royal Abbey, in Cheshire, was taken by a Mr. Holcroft, but the abbot wrote two days later from Lichfield, where it appears he was very ill, though he had gone so far on the journey up to London to remonstrate, protesting that neither he nor his monks had ever consented to surrender; and the abbot's signature attached to the document is undoubtedly in a different hand from the abbot's own letter.[6] Thus this particular case has a suspicious character of its own; but the result was the same as in all other cases, for the abbot's remonstrance, of course, was ineffectual. On the 8th Croxton abbey, in Leicestershire, surrendered to Dr. Legh, along with its cell of Horneby, in Lancashire, On the 14th he took Tutbury into his hands, and on the 16th Rocester; on the 18th Hulton or Hilton, and on the 20th Sulby;[7] while Dr. Peter, in Lincolnshire, received nine Gilbertine priories[8] for the

[1] No. 31, of present Part. [2] Part I., No. 1376. Part II, No. 86.
[3] No. 183. [4] No. 207. [5] Nos. 260, 272.
[6] Nos. 297, 314. [7] Nos. 304, 343, 364, 380, 395.
[8] Namely, St. Katherinee's by Lincoln, Sempringham, Haverholme, Catley, Bolington or Bullington, Sixhill and Alvingham or Affingham, Ormesby and Newstead, near Glanford Brigg. Part I. No. 1378. Part II. Nos. 375, 411, 423, 432, 440, 449, 470, 517. *See* the account of their revenues, &c. in No. 528.

King, and the abbey of Biddlesden, in Buckinghamshire, surrendered to Dr. London.[1]

The bishop of Dover, meanwhile, was carrying out his programme as to the Friars, and since we left him at Marlborough in July[2] he had not only taken the Bristol houses into his hands, but also those of Worcester[3], Bridgenorth, Lichfield, Stafford, Newcastle-under-Lyne, two of the houses at Shrewsbury, and those of Chester, Rhuddlan, Denbigh, Bangor, Llanvaes, Ludlow, Hereford, and Carmarthen before the month of August was out.[4] His own accounts of his proceedings in consecutive letters to Cromwell[5] certainly show the character of a bishop most singularly merged in that of a man of business. Whatever else he omitted he never failed to appraise the houses, lead and furniture; and generally the houses were very poor and had no lead at all but only tiles or slates upon the roof. Yet the friars who were least able to live through poverty were most unwilling to give up. The Grey Friars gave him more trouble than all the rest; for any of the brethren who could learn that he was coming gave notice to the rest, and they did their best before he arrived to defeat his purpose.[6] They were no doubt hiding their church plate or handing it over to others to take care of. And that was serious, for the church plate was nearly all the Bishop could rely on to pay the expense of the visitation.

In September he pursued his work at Haverford West, Cardiff, Newport in Monmouthshire, Bristol, Ilchester, Bridgewater, Exeter, Plymouth, Bodmin, Truro and

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[1] No. 421.

[2] Part I., Pref. p. xxvi.

[3] No. 32. The inventories given in Part I., No. 1513, ought to have been reserved for Part II., in August.

[4] Nos. 41, 44, 56, 61, 79, 88, 96, 124, 129, 137, 138, 171, 184, 229.

[5] Nos. 49, 50, 169, 170, 200.

[6] No. 49.

Dorchester.[1] In all these places he took surrenders, while in the East of England the friars' houses at Thetford and Lynn were given up to other agents.[2] To these should be added the Grey Friars at Norwich, of which the duke of Norfolk would have taken the surrender, but being ill he sent his son, the earl of Surrey, who did so in his place. The two other houses of friars in that city were left for a time; but the Duke thought that they should be enjoined to make no more waste; for the Black Friars, clearly perceiving what was coming, had already sold their greatest bell.[3]

The bishop of Dover while in the Midlands strongly urged Cromwell, as Vicar-General, to send down dispensations to allow friars to put off their habits and mix with the world as secular priests or laymen.[4] No great pressure perhaps might be necessary to make them take this course, for, though they were not communicative, it was evident that they could not live so easily as before under their old rule, and their scruples, which were very real, would yield to obvious necessity. The advice was pretty well in keeping with the Vicar-General's policy, except that mere suasion probably never entered his thoughts. Indeed, rumours sprang up at this time that not only friars but monks also would soon be expected to abandon their habits, and the prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, wrote earnestly to urge that such a measure should not be applied to him and his brethren, to break the observance of over nine hundred years.[5] His entreaty, however, was of no avail. Cromwell himself happening to be at Canterbury with the King in the beginning of

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[1] Nos. 268, 273, 294, 295, 305, 319-22, 325, 334, 341, 354, 381, 389, 396, 405, 474.

[2] Nos. 438, 439, 472, 473, 502.

[3] No. 399.

[4] No. 49.

[5] No. 139.

September, intimated to the monks in the chapter house that the change was actually resolved on, and Dr. Richard Thornden, warden of the cathedral manors, who was accustomed to provide new apparel for them yearly at All Hallows' day, wrote to ask when it was to take place[2]. The friars, however, were compelled to change at once[3]. We know, indeed, on the authority Foxe the Martyrologist, a warm admirer of Cromwell's arbitrary proceedings, one example at least of the coercion by which the change was enforced; and the instance is worth quoting for more reasons than one:—

"Hereunto also," says Foxe, "pertaineth the example of Friar Bartley, who wearing still his friar's cowl after the suppression of religious houses, Cromwell, coming through Paul's Churchyard, and espying him in Rheines's[4] shop, 'Yea,' said he, 'will not that cowl of yours be left off yet? And if I hear by one o'clock that this apparel be not changed, thou shalt be hanged immediately, for example to all others.' And so, putting his cowl away, he durst never wear it after." [5]

The unfortunate friar who was treated in this arbitrary manner was the celebrated Alexander Barclay, the poet, translator of Sebastian Brandt's "Ship of Fools."[6] This work he tells us himself he had composed "in the College of St. Mary Ottery, in the county of Devonshire," in 1508, and though in the opinion of his most recent biographers he had terminated his connection with that college, and even with the West country, a few years later, it is certain that he was in Devonshire again, and also in Cornwall, in the autumn of 1538. He had meanwhile passed through

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[1] *See* No. 296. [2] Nos. 465, 749. [3] No. 235, 251–2.

[4] Is this Francis Reynold, the French agent and bookseller mentioned in No. 336?

[5] Acts and Mon. (Townsend's ed.), V. 396.

[6] This fact has hitherto escaped the notice of Barclay's biographers, owing to the spelling of the name in Foxe, which is only a variation such as in that day was considered immaterial. Latimer, as will be seen, makes the name Bartlow; and William Bullein, who may have known him personally, calls him Bartlet in his "Dialogue," printed in 1573. *See* life prefixed to Paterson's edition of Barclay's "Ship of Fools."

some curious changes; for by 1520 he had become a monk. In that year he is spoken of as "the Black monk and poet" whose services were wanted "to devise histoires and convenient raisons" for the buildings at the Field of the Cloth of Gold.[1] In 1528 either he or a namesake (perhaps for giving offence to Wolsey) was a refugee abroad like Roy and Tyndale.[2] At some uncertain date he had ceased to be a Benedictine and entered the Franciscan Order of Friars; and probably it was in August or September of this year, 1538, that the above incident occurred of his meeting Cromwell in St. Paul's Churchyard. In October, William Dynham, a country gentleman who had been sheriff, writing of him from Lifton in Devonshire, calls him "a frere in a somewhat honester weed" (implying that by this time he had put off his friar's habit), but reports that his preaching had been decidedly objectionable, and relates some conversations he had held with him at the priory of St. Germains in Cornwall, in which the squire vindicated the Royal theology to the divine, and told the latter that he was a false knave who sought to hinder the truth.[3] Possibly it was Dynham also who wrote to Latimer "Frere Bartlow "doth much hurt in Cornwall and Devonshire, both with "open preaching and also with private communication."[4]

In October, the work of suppression still went on, and a very brief notice must suffice of what was done during the remainder of the year. Dr. Peter concluded his work among the Gilbertine priories by receiving a tenth house, Mattersey in Nottinghamshire, for the King on the 3rd October.[5] Dr. Legh in Warwickshire received Mereval on the 13th;[6] from which he passed on to the Black

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[1] Vol. III., No. 737.
[2] Vol. IV., No. 4810.
[3] No. 596.
[4] No. 709.
[5] No. 529.
[6] No. 601.

Ladies (or Benedictine Nuns) of Brewood in Staffordshire whose surrender he took on the 16th, and that of Lilleshall in Salop the same day.[1] On the 17th he took that of St. Thomas' priory, Stafford;[2] on the 20th that of Dieulacres in Staffordshire.[3] On the same day Wetherall in Cumberland surrendered; but it was only on the 28th January following that, he took the acknowledgment of surrender.[4] On the 22nd, Darley; on the 24th, Dale; and on the 25th, Repton in Derbyshire[5] fell into his hands. On the 27th Grace Dieu in Leicestershire did the same.[6] On the 1st November he was at Bardney Abbey in Lincolnshire, which he likewise captured;[7] on the 5th he obtained possession of Pipwell in Northamptonshire;[8] on the 8th, of Barnwell in Cambridgeshire.[9] Two days later he was in London, where he took the surrender of the White Friars.[10]

During the same period, his colleague Layton took the surrenders of Marmonde in Cambridgeshire on the 14th October,[11] and Shouldham in Norfolk next day;[12] of Chicksand in Bedfordshire on the 22nd;[13] and of Malling in Kent on the 29th.[14] In taking this last surrender he was assisted by Dr. Peter, who had nine days before taken that of St. Thomas' of Acon in London.[15] Winter being now at hand, both Legh and Layton came to London, where, as already mentioned, on the 10th November the former took the surrender of the White Friars. On the 12th, they both joined in taking that of the Grey Friars, but took separately those of the Austin,

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[1] No. 627–9. [2] No. 634. [3] No. 656. [4] No. 657.

[5] Nos. 670, 681, 688. The letter of Legh and Cavendish written from Darlegh (No. 689), in which they talk of being at Repton on Friday next to dissolve the house, must be misdated on the 25th, for they were actually there that day, which was a Friday.

[6] Nos. 700, 706. [7] No. 737. [8] No. 759.

[9] No. 782. [10] No. 788. [11] No. 608.

[12] No. 611. [13] No. 669. [14] No. 717. [15] No. 608.

the Crutched, and the Black Friars.[1] Surrenders in the country, however, still went on. Bishop Roland Lee along with Mr. Justice Sulyard took that of Wigmore Abbey on the 18th November.[2] Sir George Lawson and other Commissioners took those of Worksop in Nottinghamshire on the 15th, of Monk Bretton in Yorkshire on the 21st or 22nd, of Byland on the 30th, of Rievaulx on the 3rd December, of Kirkham on the 8th, and of Knaresborough later in the month.[3] In another part of the country, John Williams, by royal commission, took that of Eynsham on the 4th December and Nutley on the 9th.[4] In London, also, Dr. Peter took that of St. Helen's priory on the 25th, Christmas day.[5]

The houses of friars suppressed during the last quarter of the year were also very numerous; so that, in fact, at the end of December there were very few left standing. By the beginning of October the Bishop of Dover had reached Salisbury, where he took the surrenders of the Grey Friars and the Black.[6] On the 6th he took that of the Austin Friars at Southampton; on the 8th those of the Grey and Black Friars at Chichester; on the 10th, that of the Black Friars at Arundel, and on the same day that of the Black Friars at Guildford.[7] A brief silence in the records shortly after this implies that he was with Cromwell in London; after which, as he says in a later letter, he received to the King's use the Black Friars in Dunstable, the Grey in Ware, Babwell, and Walsingham, the Black and White in Norwich, the Black, White, and Grey in Yarmouth, the Austin in Gorleston, and then, coming through Suffolk and Essex various other houses

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[1] Nos. 806–9. [2] Nos. 861, 868.
[3] Nos. 844, 888, 900, 945, 983, 1009, 1029, 1172, 1173.
[4] Nos. 989, 1014. [5] No. 908.
[6] Nos. 482, 518–19. [7] Nos. 545, 562–3, 579, 580.

in Dunwich, Orford, Ipswich, Clare, Colchester, Maldon, and Chelmsford.[1] After this he put out the Friars of King's Langley, of which he was himself prior, and made a valuation of the house, of which he hoped Cromwell's influence would procure him a gift from the King.[2] No wonder such an assiduous visitor and suppressor thought this a fair reward for his services.

Then there was Dr. London, no less active though not so great a traveller. On the 1st October he took the surrender of the Grey Friars at Aylesbury and handed over the house by command to "Mr. Geffrey, the King's servant."[3] On the 3rd he took that of the Grey Friars, Bedford, and handed it over in like manner to Mr. Gostwick, with whose help he proposed to turn all the friars into secular priests.[4] On the 6th he had got to Stamford, where he first took the surrender of the Austin Friars on the 6th, then of the Black Friars on 7th, and of the Grey and White Friars on the 8th.[5] From thence he proceeded to Coventry, where he took the surrenders of two houses of White and Grey Friars.[6] The next stage was Warwick, where the Black Friars surrendered to him on the 20th.[7] A few miles south of Warwick was Thelesford, a house of Crossed Friars, which surrendered to him on the 26th.[8] Here he had the satisfaction of putting down an "idol" named Maiden Cutbroghe, which received offerings of oats from country people to

[1] No. 1021. Compare Nos. 934–5. [2] No. 1021–2.

[3] Was this Geoffrey Chamber who wrote about the Rood of Boxley on the 7 Feb. (Part I., No. 231)? He is repeatedly mentioned in 1537 as surveyor and receiver of the King's purchased lands—that is to say, of the lands recently acquired by the Crown, chiefly by the suppression of the monasteries. *See* Vol. II., Nos. 835, 852, 857.

[4] Nos. 501, 525–7. [5] Nos. 546, 552, 564, 565.

[6] Nos. 503, 539. These documents are clearly misplaced, the dates 1st and 5th October being certainly wrong. *See* Nos. 650, 674. The exact order of his progress will be seen in No. 719.

[7] No. 655. [8] Nos. 698, 707.

cure headaches.[1] A day, or, it may be two days later, he reached Northampton, where the Black and the White Friars both surrendered to him, but certainly not on the 20th, the date actually given in the documents.[2] He was still at Northampton on the 29th, having also dissolved the Augustinians, whose prior he found it necessary to put in prison with most of his convent. The prior, he wrote, was one of the most unthrifty he had met with—a great dicer and reveller; but, what evidently was more serious in Dr. London's eyes, he and the convent had pawned away all their plate and stuff on feigned bills of sale, not having received a penny, in some cases, of the consideration money. But shortly before Dr. London's arrival he divided 30*l.* of "plate money" among his brethren. Altogether their transactions had an ugly look, and the friars, when examined in prison accused each other.[3] Returning towards Oxford, Dr. London pressed the prioress of Godstow to surrender her house, but she took his coming "pensively" and refused to surrender except at the King's command or Cromwell's.[4] In fact, she succeeded in preserving her monastery for full twelve months more. On the 30th November Dr. London completed his work for the year by taking the surrender of the Trinitarian friars at Donnington in Berkshire.[5]

Of the remaining houses of friars the Grey Friars of Grimsby were dissolved by John Freeman on the 9th October.[6] Three houses at Leicester surrendered to local commissioners on the 10th November.[7] Later in the month a number of houses in Yorkshire also surrendered, viz., at Doncaster, Tickhill, Pontefract, and York itself,[8] and on the 20th December the White Friars of

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[1] No. 719. [2] Nos. 653, 654. [3] Nos. 719, 767.
[4] Nos. 758, 767. [5] No. 946. [6] Nos. 567, 572.
[7] Nos. 789-91. [8] Nos. 823, 877, 869, 912, 917-19, 928-9.

Northallerton.[1] Their surrenders were taken by the same commissioners who received the Yorkshire and Nottinghamshire Monasteries.

The crusade against superstition was also going on more vigorously than ever. Even in the early spring it seems to have been determined that the image of Our Lady of Walsingham and that of St. Thomas of Canterbury should be sent up to London to be destroyed like the Rood of Boxley;[2] and in June Latimer wrote to Cromwell expressing his ardent desire that "our great Sibyl" as he called the image of the Virgin in his own Cathedral, should meet with similar treatment. She had been the Devil's instrument, he feared, to bring many to eternal fire; and he thought she and her young sister of Ipswich, and her sisters at Doncaster and Penrice, would make "a jolly muster" in Smithfield. They would not be all day, he said, in burning.[3] Commissioners came down in July[4] and removed the image of Walsingham with all the gold and silver things in the chapel there.[5] "Her young sister of Ipswich" was likewise sent up to London and stowed away for a time in Cromwell's "wardrobe of beds" by his careful servant Thomas Thacker.[6] Meanwhile bishop Barlow in Pembrokeshire was removing "idolatrous" images as quietly as he could, pleading at the same time all the more strongly for the transference of his see to Carmarthen that the people might be the better rescued from Popish delusions.[7] At Cambridge, the

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[1] No. 1105. [2] Part I., No. 754. [3] Ib., No. 1177.

[4] Hall speaks of the removal of images as done in September, and especially mentions those of Walsingham, Ipswich, Worcester, and Our Lady of Willesden. It is quite clear, however, that all but the last, if even that, was an exception (for it is not mentioned in these papers), were taken away earlier in the year.

[5] Ib., No. 1376. Part II., No. 373.

[6] Part I., No. 1501. [7] No. 111.

prior of the Black Friars, wise in his generation, asked for power to remove the image of Our Lady in his own house before Sturbridge fair as much pilgrimage had been made to her in past years.[1] At Buxton and Burton-on-Trent, Sir William Basset took away and sent up to Cromwell the images of St. Anne and St. Modwen, defacing the "tabernacles" where they had stood, and carrying off the "crutches, shirts, and sheets" placed as votive offerings by grateful patients who had received benefit from the healing waters. Nay, to check the "fond trust" the people had in those images he even locked up the baths and wells of Buxton that none might wash therein any more till Cromwell's pleasure were known.[2] Of this pair of female saints Thacker also took the custody and placed them beside Our Lady of Ipswich.[3] At Basingstoke lord Sands received orders to pull down another noted image, and sent it up likewise to Cromwell's house at Austin Friars.[4]

Relics, too, were sent up as well, as at Wisborough Green in Sussex, where Sir William Goryng compelled the churchwardens to deliver a crucifix with a crystal containing some of Our Lady's milk and various other articles almost equally doubtful.[5]

But a far more notable case occurred in the beginning September, of which we hear singularly little just at the moment, though the outcry which it occasioned immediately afterwards rang through Europe. "Mr. Pollard," John Husee writes to his mistress, lady Lisle, "has been so busy, night and day in prayer with offering "unto St. Thomas' shrine and head with other dead relics "that he could have no idle worldly time to peruse your "Ladyship's book for the draft of your Ladyship's letters."[6]

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[1] No. 224. [2] No. 244. [3] No. 256.
[4] No. 259. [5] No. 101. [6] No. 303.

This satirical statement conveyed the intimation that Richard Pollard, an important officer of the Exchequer, was busy at the time carrying off the spoils of that magnificent shrine at Canterbury, which was the wonder of all Christendom, and had been the goal of continual pilgrimages for three centuries past. The gold and precious stones taken from it, according to Stowe, filled two great chests such as six or seven strong men could do no more than convey one of them at once out of the church.[1] The booty, of course, was all carefully secured, and the different relics of the saint in different parts of the church, the skull encased in silver which many generations had kissed,—the amputated crown, kept apart from the true head—the bones within the shrine itself—were all ignominiously burned.[2]

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[1] Yet this would seem to be an under estimate according to Sanders, who says it was confessed by the King's treasurer (*quæstor*), by whom he probably means Pollard, that the gold, silver, precious stones, and vestments carried off from this one shrine filled six and twenty great waggons drawn by oxen. Stowe, it may be observed, says nothing either of silver or of vestments, and from the description given of it by Erasmus, as well as from that of Stowe himself (p. 575), it appears that there was no silver in the shrine at all, gold being the vilest part of it. Sanders is, therefore, probably in error in saying "ex uno illo Divi Thomæ monumento ablatam." These valuables he speaks of may have been taken from the crypt where St. Thomas' skull was kept cased in silver, or from other parts of the church.

[2] The burning of the bones is doubted by Burnet and has lately been disputed by Mr. Milman, Director of the Society of Antiquaries; but there is no doubt that it was the rumour all over the Continent; for it is not only stated as a fact in the papal bull of December following (No. 1087), but it is accepted as such by the Protestant historian Sleidan, and later English writers, like Stowe, say the same. The statement that they were buried and not burned is distinctly traceable, in the first instance, to an anonymous paper printed by Collier (Eccl. Hist, Records No. XLVII), the original MS. of which is endorsed by the writer "a Declaration of the Faith." The MS., which is in the Record Office and will be noticed in the next volume of the Calendar, is in the handwriting of Thomas Derby, clerk of the Council. It was probably intended for a sermon

Opposition to things done by the King's authority was hopeless; but gratuities were paid to "sundry monks and chief officers" of the monastery for their actual co-operation in the "disgarnishing" of the shrine.[1] A week later Pollard was at Reading, from which he sent up to London the spoil of the Grey Friars;[2] and within another week he was at Winchester along with Wriothesley "making an end" of the shrine there.[3] It was certainly a much poorer one than that of Canterbury —"no gold, nor ring, nor true stone in it, but all great counterfeits." In the Cathedral, however, were a cross of emeralds, a gold cross called Jerusalem, and another gold cross, besides further valuables well worth taking away.[4] Meanwhile the image of Our Lady of Penrice in the diocese of Llandaff was taken down "as secretly as might be" by Cromwell's orders[5]—to do such things openly in Wales was evidently dangerous. Dr. London probably had less difficulty when he pulled down the image of Our Lady of Caversham, near Reading, and took away the lights, shrouds, crutches, and images of wax set about her; then locked up the chapel, turning out the canon who kept it, and sent the relics

to be preached openly at Paul's Cross to counteract the effect of the papal excommunication. It is certainly a very dishonest production; but even in it, while there is a suggestion that the bones were secretly buried, there is a virtual admission that *something* was burned, which is called "a great skull of another head" and "a feigned fiction." Apparently the article referred to was the saint's amputated crown enclosed in a reliquary fashioned like a head, which being, with its case, much larger than the piece lacking in the skull, the writer suggests that it contained nothing genuine at all, and asks: "If this head was brent was therefore St Thomas' brent? Assuredly it concludeth not." The only inference to be drawn from the paper is that the court had begun to be uncomfortable at the feeling created by what they had done. See a pamphlet by Father Morris on this subject, entitled "The Relics of St. Thomas of Canterbury," published at Canterbury in 1888.

[1] *See* Payments, p. 534. [2] No. 353.

[3] Nos. 401, 430. [4] Nos. 401–2. [5] No. 345.

that were inside to Cromwell. These included two that may have been genuine,—the daggers with which Henry VI. and St. Edward the King and Martyr had been assassinated,—along with such curiosities as the halter with which Judas was hanged and "an angel with one wing that brought to Caversham the spear's head that pierced our Saviour's side upon the Cross."[1]

Of course it was an object to put down superstitious relics; but where their suppression did not enrich the royal treasury the case was not so urgent. "The Blood of Hailes" had been denounced by Hilsey as an imposture at Paul's Cross as early as the 24th February;[2] and the abbot, as we have seen,[3] had gone up to London to ask Cromwell's advice what to do about such a questionable curiosity. He had not gone, apparently, without rather strong suggestions from Latimer, in whose diocese the abbey was situated, and he declared that the journey had been to him and his house a peculiarly expensive one. But when he told his brethren in the cloister that his going to London had cost him besides travelling expenses, 140*l.*, and required "the best mitre, the best cross, and another thing or two," to meet the expenses, he must have meant that the Court had its eye on the spoils of their monastery and they must consider how to protect themselves against rapacity. Latimer was afraid that all the jewels of the house might thus be "surveyed" away without Cromwell's knowledge, and evidently considered that "the Bloody Abbot," as he called him, required sharp looking after.[4] As for the Blood itself, however, the inquiry was not instituted till October, when a commission was issued for the purpose to Bishop Latimer and his zealous

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[1] Nos. 367–8, 377.
[2] Wriothesley's Chronicle, I., 75.
[3] Part I. Pref., p. xi.
[4] No. 186.

assistant, Prior Holbeche, of Worcester, the Abbot himself and Richard Tracy. Considering that the thing to be done must jar with many prejudices their proceedings were certainly judicious. They probably called the neighbouring gentry as witnesses; at least they told Cromwell afterwards that they had acted in the presence of a great multitude. They took the glass containing the liquid out of the silver-mounted "berall"[1] in which it was enclosed, and subjected it to careful examination. They found it was a viscous substance, cleaving like gum or birdlime; in the glass it looked red, but when a little was taken out it had a colour like amber. After the examination they sealed it up in red wax and locked it in a coffer, which they placed in the Abbot's custody, giving the key to Richard Tracy till the King's further pleasure was known what should be done with it.[2] But what was done with it ultimately we are not told.[3]

It is curious to note that three months before this, that is to say, in July, but still while the war against superstition was at its height—when Our Lady of Walsingham had just been sent up to London and Our Lady of Ipswich was about to follow her, the King was supposed by some to have had a supernatural warning to go on pilgrimage himself. He was then at Portsmouth, and it was said that an angel, or according to another version, that his last Queen, Jane Seymour, had appeared to him, and had warned him

[1] A "berall" must have been, according to other examples of the archaic use of this word, a glass or crystal vessel; but "a little glass" is also mentioned as containing the liquid within the "berall."

[2] Nos. 709, 710.

[3] The result of the examination, however, was that Bishop Hilsey had to recant in a sermon, at Paul's Cross on the 24th November, the opinion to which he had given utterance in the same place on the 24th February, that the "Blood" was a duck's blood. Wriothesley's Chronicle I., 90.

to go on pilgrimage to St. Michael's Mount, and offer a noble there on pain of death. Widow Nowell at Salisbury was even informed that he had actually bent a noble for the purpose of offering it, and she said to a neighbour as she entered his house to procure fire, "God save the King! I trust we shall go a pilgrimage again."[1] The rumour, of course, was speedily checked by the city authorities.

An incident of more secular character, and, except as to its scale, and as to its final result, very much like an incident of modern times, was what we should call a "strike" of shoemakers at Wisbeach. On the 21st July one-and-twenty journeymen shoemakers assembled at a mill hill outside that town called the Millfield, to make a compact that none should work unless their masters agreed to give them 18*d.* instead of 15*d.* for sewing every dozen pair of shoes; and one of the men taking a primer out of his bosom caused another to administer an oath to that effect. The matter was presently reported to the bishop of Ely, who merely as a leading justice of the peace could do no less than apprehend six of the men and take their depositions. One of these men was, it seems, a brother of the notorious "Captain Cobbler," the insurgent leader of Lincolnshire in 1536.[2] Everyone of course was concerned to inquire about this new revolt against authority, and the duke of Norfolk despatched from Kenninghall on the 12th August the treasurer of his house to Cromwell, with information that he had collected on the subject.[3] Next day the bishop of Ely wrote that he had got eight more of the shoemakers apprehended, making 14 in all; and that of the remainder three were still in the town and could be taken when desirable; one had fled to

[1] No. 62. [2] Part I., No. 1454. [3] No. 84.

Lynn, where he had been arrested and examined, and three others could not be found, though their wives remained in the town.[1] Here our information on the subject ends.

To the King, of course, a shoemakers' strike, especially on such a very minute scale, and any idle gossip about visions that he had seen at Portsmouth were matters of profound indifference. Nothing had actually happened at this time within the kingdom which was calculated to give him uneasiness. But what *might* happen if foreign princes only cared a little less either for his threats or for his amity he could not but foresee. Intelligence gradually drifted into England of the interview between Francis and the Emperor at Aigues Mortes, and of the peace, as it was called, made between them previously at Nice. It was formally, as we have seen, only a ten years' truce, brought about by the Pope's mediation;[2] but the interview which so closely followed had produced quite a new state of cordiality and a genuine conviction on both sides that peace was for their mutual advantage.[3] Cut off from direct sources of information, Henry's subjects could not realise the situation as well as he did himself.[4] Even the French ambassador did not receive intelligence as speedy, or as complete, as might have been expected, and made no sign of a satisfaction which he did not really feel when the Emperor's two representatives were fully in possession of the news.[5] But the King understood fully its significance; and it was not without a thought of defensive operations in the future that he determined to visit Dover in August and inspect the

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[1] No. 91. [2] Part. I. No. 1211. [3] Ib., Nos. 1414, 1415, 1486.

[4] Anthony Barker in London regarded the peace as good news, but wanted more information about it. No. 191.

[5] No. 232.

progress made with the harbour, which he had been for years constructing.[1] In point of fact hasty orders had been issued to strengthen the defences both of Dover and other ports with men and gunpowder. And similar precautions were taken on the frontiers of Calais.[2]

Meanwhile the German ambassadors in England, after nearly two months' conference with the Bishops, were anxious to return to their own country. Their theological discussions had not led to any particular result, but they expressed themselves hopeful of fuller agreement. Three further papal abuses, they considered, required to be eradicated in England,—the prohibition of Communion in both kinds, private masses, and the compulsory celibacy of the clergy. On these subjects they set forth their own minds with full arguments in writing, hoping that the Bishops would answer them in the same manner. But the Bishops, knowing that the King intended to do so, declined the responsibility; and Henry wrote a reply to them at considerable length, upholding each of the usages objected to, but promising to take further counsel. The ambassadors were unable to leave before October;[3] they seem to have been shamefully ill-lodged, and one of them was seriously ill in September; but their mission at least served to assure the Lutherans of Henry's most friendly regard for them, and in writing to the duke of Saxony on their return he begged once more that Melancthon and some other of their divines might be sent over to him to complete matters.[4]

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[1] No. 190. An account of the expenses of these works will be found in No. 223 and many others in previous volumes.

[2] No. 349.

[3] It is only on the 1st November that Melancthon mentions their return to Germany. No. 741.

[4] Nos. 37, 165, 298, 497.

The real problem with regard to his own subjects, as Henry knew quite well, was not to force on a number of further changes, but to give fuller and more complete effect to those which had already taken place. All the while he was plundering the churches of their treasures he must assert his own supreme authority over the Church of the realm, and compel the clergy to obey him in all things. On the 5th September accordingly Cromwell as the King's Vicegerent issued a new set of injunctions to the clergy instructing them how to discharge henceforth their pastoral duties. Each incumbent was to provide, at the joint expense of himself and the parish, an English bible "of the largest volume," to be set up in the Church, and to do all in his power to encourage his parishioners to read it there, admonishing them, however, "to avoid all contention and altercation therein." He was also to recite publicly the *Paternoster* and the Creed in English, one small part every Sunday, and afterwards the Ten Commandments, that his parishioners might learn them by degrees, and examine them on the two former in Lent as a condition of receiving the Sacrament. He was to preach at least once every quarter of a year, discouraging pilgrimages and the offering of candles or money to images, to take down all images that were associated with such superstitions, and not allow any lights except one by the rood loft, one before the Sacrament, and one about "the sepulchre." Various other observances also were to be discontinued, among them "the commemoration of Thomas Becket," and every parson was enjoined henceforth to keep a register of weddings, christenings, and burials.[1]

No. 281.

What was the meaning of that last innovation? Parish registers have been kept in this country from that day to this, but people had done very well without them hitherto, and apparently did not want them. They were certainly not thankful for their institution. For, ever since the beginning of the preceding year, when the North of England was full of disaffection, it had been hinted that the King was bent on new and unheard of methods of taxation. Besides a general plunder of church plate, with the suppression of two parish churches out of three, and various other extortions, it was said that he contemplated a tax on weddings, christenings, and burials.[1] And there is really nothing to show that the surmise was incorrect, although it is clear that Henry did not venture to put the design (if he entertained it) either now or at any time afterwards into execution. That would certainly have been too dangerous. But the institution of parish registers might facilitate such taxation in future if it was thought later on that the people could endure it. And this, apparently, was the interpretation commonly put upon the measure, though, so long as no new exactions were levied men refrained from uttering their suspicions aloud.[2]

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[1] Vol. XII. Part 1, Nos. 62, 70 ii., iii., vi., 200 (p. 85), 369, 393, (p. 195), 520, 1018.

[2] Sir Piers Edgecombe writes in the following spring from Cornwall. "It is now come to my knowledge this 20th day of April by a right true honest man, a servant of mine, that there is much secret and several communications amongst the King's subjects; and that many of them in divers places within the shires of Cornwall and Devonshire be in great fear and mistrust, what the King's highness and his Council should mean to give in commandment to the parsons and vicars of every parish that they should make a book, and surely to be kept, wherein to be specified the names of as many as be wedded, and the names of them that be buried, and of all those that be christened . . . . . .

In theology Henry had, with fine political astuteness, carefully guarded his position. His destruction of images and of St. Thomas' shrine, whatever his own subjects thought of it, was enough in itself to secure him much sympathy from the German Protestants, who still looked to him for further acts of reformation.[1] On the other hand, he claimed, for his own part, to be still a "Defender of the Faith" as much as ever, and to be most zealous against every effort to corrupt it. Before the German ambassadors had left England he must have received a letter from the duke of Saxony and the Landgrave of Hesse, warning him that they had found evidence of the spread of Anabaptist opinions in England, and that individual Anabaptists in Germany felt much desire to go thither as to a land where the truth (as they held it) was silently making its way.[2] Henry certainly acted in the spirit of this admonition, and on the 1st October, the very day that he wrote to the duke of Saxony upon the return of the envoys, he issued a commission to the archbishop of Canterbury and other divines to search for and examine these objectionable heretics, and hand over all those who would not renounce their errors, to the secular power for punishment.[3] Next month he issued a proclamation commanding all Anabaptists who were not the King's born subjects, even if they if they had revoked their heresy, to leave the realm within twelve days on pain of death, and forbidding the King's own subjects, under a like penalty, either to hold or to

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Their mistrust is that some charges, more than hath been in times past, shall grow to them by this occasion of registering of these things. Wherein if it shall please the King's Majesty to put them out of doubt, in my poor mind [it] shall increase much hearty love." State Papers, I., 612–3.

[1] No. 741. [2] Nos. 264, 265, 427. [3] No. 498.

teach such doctrines.[1] The result was seen on the following Sunday, the 24th of the month, when four Dutch or Flemish Anabaptists—three men and a woman—recanted and bore faggots at St. Paul's. On the 29th, St. Andrew's Eve, two others—a man and a woman—were burned in Smithfield; and on St. Andrew's Day itself, a young German of twenty two—the husband of the last victim, suffered the like fate at Colchester.[2]

Shortly before this proclamation against Anabaptists, another proclamation had been issued having a more general bearing on heresies and on Church authority in general as it was now to be interpreted. In the first place, literature was to be very carefully protected against poisonous doctrine. No books in the vulgar tongue were to be published, imported, or sold without special license. None were even to be printed except under the eye of the Privy Council or of some one appointed by the King; and licensed books must bear a notification that the license extended only to their printing—the printers, apparently, being still held responsible for their contents. Then, no one was to discuss the doctrine of the Sacrament, except divines in the schools; and as touching matters of ritual, holy bread, holy water, kneeling and creeping to the Cross on Good Friday, and a number of other old ceremonies were to be kept up until the King pleased to alter them. Priests known to have wives were to be deprived, and those marrying in future were to be liable to imprisonment. Bishops and other preachers were to set forth clearly in their sermons the differences between divine ordinances and ceremonies depending only on usage in

[1] No. 890. Note the effect of this at Calais where Lord Lisle on the 5th December informs his wife that our doctors dare not speak about the Sacrament. No. 991.

[2] No. 899. Wriothesley's Chronicle, I. 90.

the Church; and Becket was to be no longer treated as a Saint, but his name was to be razed out of every service book, his "pictures" (or images) were to be removed in every church, and his festival was no longer to be observed.[1]

Between these two proclamations—or rather on the precise date of each—was enacted a tragedy in two distinct parts, which commanded no small amount of public attention. John Nicholson, otherwise called Lambert, a priest, who having, as Foxe tells us, early imbibed the views of Bilney in Norfolk, where he was brought up, had naturally found the world generally against him for some twenty years—apparently from the days when he was a student at Cambridge. In 1521 even Katharine of Arragon's influence proved insufficient to get him a fellowship at Queen's college, because he could not give satisfactory evidence of his learning, though he was then a bachelor of Arts. Other facts in his early history, such as that he was chaplain to "the English house" at Antwerp till disturbed by Sir Thomas More, and brought to London and examined for heresy by archbishop Warham shortly before that prelate's death, appear to have been ascertained by Foxe from sources now unknown. At this time, as the same writer informs us, having ventured to criticise a sermon by Dr. Taylor, rector of St. Peter's, Cornhill, he was led into a discussion both with him and Dr. Barnes which ended in his being charged with heresy. He objected, it seems, not only to the doctrine of the Real Presence, but also to infant baptism, and other parts of the Church's teaching. Of course he had been called on to recant, but he appealed to the king as Supreme Head of the Church, and professing great confidence in Cromwell, who had done so much for the spread of the Gospel,

[1] No. 848.

declared he was quite ready to meet his accusers in argument. The king agreed to hear him in person; and on the 16th November he was brought into the hall at York Place, where great preparations had been made of scaffolds and seats for his trial. The King was seated on a platform or "hautt place" at the end of the hall with a number of bishops, judges, and temporal lords about him and the mayor and aldermen of London; and his Majesty deigned himself to reason with the prisoner, confuting his arguments, of course, to the admiration of all present; so that in the end, we are told, Lambert had nothing to say for himself. The spectacle was, no doubt, impressive, and even in a private letter to Lord Lisle John Husee could not forbear telling how it "rejoiced" all faithful subjects "that saw and heard how his Grace "handled the matter." It would be a precedent for all time, so that no one should hereafter attempt to propagate such mischievous doctrine. We need not wonder, of course, that Sir Thomas Elyot in dedicating his "Dictionary" to Henry VIII. is no less laudatory of the King's behaviour on the occasion, and of his "wonderful patience" in meeting the heretic's "foolish and tedious objections."[1]

But if Lambert had nothing to say for himself in answer to such an august antagonist, he at least did not give in; and the 22nd November witnessed his execution. "Yesterday," wrote Husee to Lord Lisle on the 23rd, "was brent in Smithfield Lambert, *alias* John Nycolson; and the same day two Flemings and a woman, one of their wives, adjudged to death, and the third man abjured. These were Anabaptists. It is thought more of that sect shall to the fire."[2]

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[1] Nos. 849, 851, 852. [2] No. 899.

Henry could never afford to lose the repute of being zealous for Orthodoxy. It was half the secret of his power. He might compel the Church to accept his supremacy ; he might plunder shrines and force monasteries to surrender; he might even seem to turn back the tide of centuries (now no doubt already on the ebb) by forbidding pilgrimages and denouncing as a rebel "the holy blissful martyr" who had died in defence of the civil rights at one time conceded to the Church. But all this he could not have done if he had not carefully weighed in his own mind the demands he made upon the spirituality, and been able to vindicate what he had done like a theologian to whom the matters of the Faith were no less dear than his crown to a temporal ruler. Never was it more necessary than now to impress the world with his absolute supremacy and his perfectly clear insight into all questions both of Church and State For, however his own subjects stood in awe of him, well he knew that a storm was gathering with which it required his utmost energy and vigilance to cope. The treaty between Francis and the Emperor had become an accomplished fact; it seemed almost growing into a cordial alliance, and whatever remained of ancient grudges between the two sovereigns they were alike at heart in their utter detestation of a King to whom from sheer distrust of each other they had both hitherto been far too complacent.

Henry knew it all perfectly; but his policy was to appear undaunted. The more the danger thickened the more audacious his proceedings were. How he blinded the eyes of Castillon we have seen before ; but it is amusing to observe how he succeeded even after the receipt of intelligence which should have undeceived the ambassador in persuading him that the Emperor could not afford to quarrel with him. "And what about the

duchy of Milan?" he inquired, when Castillon himself reported the great amity that now existed between the Emperor and Francis. "The friendship will not last "long," he added; "I once held interviews with the "Emperor for three weeks." And he threw out a hint to the ambassador that he, too, would have a meeting with the Emperor, to neutralise the effect of that with Francis.[1] But Castillon appreciated the true state of matters very shortly afterwards on receipt of letters from his master, and he felt not a little ashamed of his credulity, though want of frequent information from his own Government might be pleaded as an extenuation. He now spoke to Henry of the cordiality between Francis and the Emperor as an assured fact, and the King saw clearly enough that he was no longer to be imposed upon.

Henry, indeed, cut rather a ludicrous figure in the conversation which followed. For months he had been insinuating to Castillon that the Emperor attached greater value to his alliance than Francis did, and Castillon had been strongly urging the importance of counteracting this impression by the offer of a suitable French bride.[2] Sir Francis Brian, too, who had been sent over in the spring, with the view, as it was supposed, of taking Gardiner's place as ambassador at the French court,[3] obtained a portrait of the Duke of Guise's second daughter, sister of James V.'s new queen, which he sent over to Henry. Her appearance certainly pleased the King, but like a discreet man, fully conscious of the importance of a matrimonial choice, he desired to see other ladies as well before making up his mind, and his worthy representative Brian, whose sense of delicacy in such matters was quite equal to his own, suggested to

[1] No. 26. [2] Pt. I., No. 1337. [3] Pt. I., No. 712.

Francis in his master's name that he should allow not only Mademoiselle de Guise, but also some other ladies of the houses of Lorraine and Vendôme to go in company with his sister the Queen of Navarre as far as Calais, where Henry coming over could see them with his own eyes and select a bride for himself from among them. The proposal to trot out young ladies "like hackneys" excited at the French court a ridicule greater even than disgust; but the disgust was very real and no doubt had much to do with the coldness shown to Brian afterwards.[1] The King, however, treated the refusal of Francis as a serious cause of complaint in conversation with Castillon. He was, indeed, at the time in very ill humour at the amity between Francis and the Emperor, which Castillon in vain assured him would not affect the cordiality of the former to himself. If so, he asked the ambassador, why did Francis decline to gratify him about the ladies? He could not select a wife by deputy. That was a matter which concerned him too closely. Castillon smiled and made a very gross suggestion in reply as giving fuller expression to the King's meaning, adding ironically, "Was it not thus that the Knights of the Round Table used to treat ladies in this country in the days of yore?" For once Henry's face was covered with blushes, and he could not help laughing. But recovering himself he said he was resolved not to marry unless either Francis or the Emperor preferred his friendship to that which they had with each other, and he tried to make Castillon still believe that he could secure the latter result without difficulty by allying himself in marriage with the Emperor.[2]

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[1] Ib., Nos. 1355, 1405, 1451, 1496.

[2] Part II., No. 77; also Nos. 232 (p. 90), and 277 (p. 111).

He saw clearly enough, however, that he must now adopt a different course from that which he had been pursuing. He was very angry at Brian for his ill success, and ordered not only him but Gardiner and Thirleby also to return home on being replaced by Bonner, who was then in Spain.[1] Brian had certainly blundered egregiously; he had been checked at every move, and had not only failed to prevent the good understanding between Francis and the Emperor, but was not without suspicion, till Francis assured him to the contrary, that they had concluded something against his master.[2] When he reached home he met with such a reception from the King that he immediately took to bed "sore sick of a burning ague." So very ill he was that on the report of his physician, Dr. Cromer, the King was induced to send him his own physician, Dr. Michael, for further advice; and, cheered no doubt, by this token of returning favour quite as much as benefited by the consultation, he began to revive somewhat. But even a week later he was not expected to recover, and one country gentleman at least made application to Cromwell for some of the offices he would leave vacant.[3]

As for Gardiner, he had already been treated harshly by the King while abroad on this embassy, having been compelled to give up, sorely against his will, his pleasant mansion at Esher, with lands around it reaching from Cobham to Kingston, the property of his see, and been severely rebuked by Cromwell for expressing regret in doing so.[4] His duties as ambassador had been painful enough, and he had been promised his recall in May, 1537, but the state of affairs was such that his services could

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[1] Part I., No. 1440. Part II., No. 77. *See also* Nos. 8, 59, 60, 130–1.
[2] No. 277.
[3] Nos. 210, 258, 280, 312.
[4] Vol. XII., Part II., No. 1004 (p. 349). Vol. XIII., Part I., No. 778.

not be dispensed with.[1] Now, after an interval of fifteen months, he was at last released from his duties. But to be supplanted by a younger diplomatist was not agreeable; the man, moreover, was not to his liking, and the way in which he was authorised to take his place made the fact peculiarly unpalatable. Bonner was clearly rising in the King's favour, and took with him royal letters authorising him to demand of Gardiner and Thirleby, whom he was sent to replace, such plate as the latter had of the King's, and such necessary outfit as the former could spare from his private property, to keep up appearances as an ambassador.[2] Compensation was to be given to Gardiner when he got home; but as a matter of fact he had nothing that he could spare. He could not, he said, give him his table linen—for the curious reason, that none was needed in France,—nor his mules, as he should have to get others for himself; nor his "mulet cloths," because his arms were upon them. Bonner replied that, as he would give him nothing, he in return would thank him for nothing, and a most unseemly altercation ensued.[3] Gardiner's temper was not improved when within some ten days or a fortnight afterwards he was informed that the King had nominated Bonner to the vacant bishopric of Hereford.[4]

But the new representative of England at the French Court could do little more than the old ones. Henry had not the slightest influence either with Francis or with the Emperor, save what might be due to some faint remains of old suspicions; and for the present these seemed to have been put aside. Henry's idle boasts to Castillon that he would hold an interview with the

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[1] Vol. XII., Part I., No. 1235. Part II., No. 78.

[2] Vol. XIII., Part I., No. 1441. *See* Part II., No. 131.

[3] No. 144.

[4] No. 261.

Emperor and get his daughter made duchess of Milan no longer deceived even the ambassador to whom they were addressed. For Castillon and Chapuys now took counsel together freely, and so did French and Imperial agents everywhere.[2] They communicated to each other without reserve the suggestions made by England to promote mutual jealousy. Moreover, a meeting had been arranged and was just about to take place, between the Queen of France and Queen Mary of Hungary, Regent of the Netherlands,[3] which would certainly tend to unite the Emperor and Francis all the more closely—especially as Francis himself was to be there a little later. Nay, a rumour had reached England that the Emperor might possibly go from Spain to the Netherlands through France; and though the Imperial ambassadors had not been informed of any such intention, they saw no reason why it should not be fulfilled.[4]

The King was almost at the end of his resources. He had visibly lost much of his usual buoyancy of spirits.[5] But diplomacy might still do something with the Emperor if not with Francis. There had been nothing, indeed, approaching to a rupture with either Prince, but the game in France had been spoiled by Brian's maladroitness. With the Emperor all was smooth—as far at least as mere courtesy went. Two marriage alliances had been under discussion all the year, which were to bind England and the Emperor together more firmly. The first was between the King himself and the Duchess Dowager of Milan; the second—a much older proposal—between the King's

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[1] Nos. 77, 232 (p. 90), 280, 748.

[2] Nos. 232, 277, 914–15.

[3] Part I., No. 1482. Part II., Nos. 262 (p. 104), 277 (pp. 111–12), 330, 349, &c.

[4] No. 232, pp. 87, 88.

[5] Ib., p. 89.

daughter Mary and Dom Luiz, Infant of Portugal. Conferences had been held on these subjects in London in February between the Imperial ambassadors and commissioners appointed by the King.[1] Then the matters were referred to the Emperor in Spain, who in June sent back Wyatt to England with a statement of the terms on which he thought the negociations should proceed.[2] Henry made some criticisms, apparently not to commit himself too deeply till he knew what offers he was likely to obtain from France.[3] Then it was arranged that English commissioners should go over to negociate the matter in the Netherlands with the Regent, Queen Mary of Hungary, to whom the Emperor sent authority to treat of both marriages, and to conclude and ratify that of Mary with Dom Luiz.[4] On this Don Diego de Mendoza, a special ambassador sent by Charles to England to negociate the latter marriage so long ago as March 1537, and who had remained in the country ever since, received instructions at last to take his leave of the King and betake himself to the Court of Mary of Hungary. He accordingly sought out the King in Sussex, who with much cordiality said he relied on him to advance the matters to the best of his power, and begged he would urge both the Emperor and the Queen of Hungary to be a little more frank with him.[5]

He also expressed a hope that Don Diego would write to him frequently from Flanders—a thing which the courteous Spaniard very properly declined to do, saying that he thought it would be quite sufficient if he wrote to Chapuys, who remained still resident. Henry also hoped that both he and Chapuys would do their best in the

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[1] Part I., No. 329. [2] Ib., No. 1132. [3] Ib., No. 1133.
[4] Ib., No. 1470. [5] Part II., No. 232 (p. 88).

matter, and get the Queen of Hungary to transmit to him the substance of the powers she had received from the Emperor; otherwise he did not see how the thing was to be managed. Here the ambassadors were perplexed, and said they were instructed by the Queen of Hungary to make a similar demand of him—which, in fact, was a more reasonable commencement. But Henry stuck to his point, and went into some further discourse about the importance of the matter to himself, as he was too far advanced in years to wait much longer; and yet that he was more intent now on his daughter's marriage than his own; all which did not tend to increase the estimate the ambassadors had formed of his sincerity, especially as they believed his chief object in pressing the marriage of the Princess was to extract from the Emperor some declaration about Milan, which he might use in stirring up dissensions once more between the two leading powers of Europe.[1]

The policy was not a hopeful one. From the first Mary of Hungary had been perfectly convinced of the insincerity of the English with reference to the proposed marriage with the Duchess of Milan;[2] and we may be quite sure that the Emperor had formed the same opinion. But it was the policy of both all along to meet dissimulation with dissimulation, and avoid unpleasantness as long as possible, till the Emperor and France could act together with full assurance. Just before his embarcation at Dover, Don Diego found that the King had arrived there with Cromwell before him, and he sent a message to know if Henry would like to see him again. No, the King was too busy banquetting some French ladies (the suite of the

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[1] Part II. No. 232 (p. 88.)

[2] Part I., No. 217. *See* the substance of the letter more fully given in the Spanish Calendar, Vol. V., Part II., p. 518.

deceased Queen of Scotland,[1] now returning to France) unless the business was very urgent. And yet Cromwell informed him privately that Henry was much displeased with the Queen of Hungary for not letting him know at once that she was in possession of the Emperor's power for negociating the two marriages, which seemed to have been given her with no real view to business. Don Diego had no difficulty in retorting the charge of coldness on the King himself and his advisers, and Cromwell could not but acknowledge that there had been remissness in the past, for which the King was now anxious, he said, to make amends. But the real meaning of the King's great anxiety for these alliances was quite apparent to the ambassador. The measures taken at that very moment to fortify Calais, Dover, and the coast, explained it fully; and Cromwell only made it still more clear by the jealousy he expressed of the coming interview between Mary of Hungary and the King and Queen of France.[2]

At length, Thomas Wriothesley, one of the King's secretaries, having finished, along with Pollard, the demolition of the shrines of Canterbury and Winchester, was despatched to Mary of Hungary to discuss matters. He had a joint commission along with Stephen Vaughan, who had gone over a little in advance of him—apparently in consequence of the death of Hutton, the King's ambassador at Brussels. They were to represent that the desire expressed, both by her and by the Emperor, for the promotion of the two marriages had been very feebly manifested in practice, and there had been very long

[1] The chief of these ladies was Madame de Montreuil, who, in passing through Canterbury, had seen the relics of St. Thomas just before they were destroyed. *See* Nos. 232 (p. 90), 257, 288 in this Part. As to her previous arrival in London, and entertainment there, and her journey to Dover, *see* Nos. 177, 201, 205, 209, 226.

[2] Part II., No. 349.

delays. For, first, the Emperor's commissions to his ambassadors in England were found insufficient, and then, when at the King's suggestion the Emperor had sent a commission to her in Flanders, Henry had written to her by Don Diego and received no reply. Worse still, the King had heard that other matches had been proposed for the Duchess of Milan, both in France and in Juliers, though he could not believe that the Regent would be guilty of such bad faith towards himself as to countenance any such projects.[1]

To Vaughan, who arrived at Brussels and had his first audience with the Regent while Wriothesley was on his journey through Kent,[2] she succeeded in excusing herself with plausible grace. Whatever the French might report neither she nor the Emperor was otherwise than sincere. She had heard that the King himself seemed cold and had been seeking a French bride, so that they made the less haste, but she would write to the Emperor again for a speedy despatch. With that she dismissed Vaughan, promising a fuller answer before she started, four days later, for the meeting with the King and Queen of France at Compiegne.[3] But she failed to fulfil her promise till she reached Valenciennes, where she gave audience to Vaughan and Wriothesley together, and patiently listened while they again referred to rumours importing great dissimulation used towards their master. She again protested her own and the Emperor's complete sincerity, said she had written to the King some days before, and waived further explanations till she should return from the interview.[4] Wriothesley and Vaughan, notwithstanding that the former was ill of an intermittent fever, brought on, apparently, by his too rapid travelling, followed the Regent to Compiegne, where they were joined by Carne,

[1] Nos. 418–19. [2] Nos. 442–3. [3] No. 443. [4] No. 550.

sent over to assist them; while Sir Anthony Browne and Bonner arrived at the same place in attendance on the French court. Thus the English envoys alike to France and the Low Countries were brought into personal communication for a time, and were able to compare notes on their equally fruitless attempts at diplomacy. Browne and Bonner had been treated with a neglect which was resented as positive incivility, while Wriothesley and his colleagues had met with the utmost courtesy and consideration. But the result was the same in both cases. The two Courts were entirely occupied with mutual civilities and could afford no audiences to Henry VIII.'s representatives. And as for Wriothesley and his colleagues, even after the Queen Regent's return to Brussels, they met with a civil dilatoriness, with continued excuses and makeshifts for delay, that gave abundant evidence of what her own confidential correspondence with the Emperor shows distinctly[1]—that she and the Emperor were only keeping the English in play with a full determination to come to no result whatever. Neither the King nor his ambassadors were deceived as to their intention, which was indeed not very unlike his own. It was only a question whether in the course of long negociations and conferences some diplomatic advantages could be gained that might be turned to account elsewhere. And in this long game of chess Wriothesley, Vaughan and Carne were detained in Flanders during the whole of the winter until the succeeding spring.[2]

With these remarks I leave the diplomacy of the time to be pursued in detail by those who desire so to study it. Henry's interest in continental affairs was mainly directed

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[1] Nos. 712, 992.

[2] Nos. 452, 506, 521, 550–1, 575, 616, 635–42, 667–8, 682, 690–1, 735, 740, 747, 858–9, 864, 880, 925, 992, 1044–6, 1077, 1120 (p. 468), 1124, 1127, 1139, 1157, 1168–70

to the Courts of Spain, France and the Netherlands; but he also studied on the map the doings of Barbarossa in the Mediterranean, with not a little delight when the Christian squadrons were defeated by the Infidel.[1] Whatever tended to alarm the other powers of Europe and draw off forces from a possible attack on England—a new irruption of the Turks into Hungary—a defeat of Andrea Doria off Corfu—anything that reminded the Emperor in particular that his large and scattered dominions were vulnerable at various points, besides being weak internally in some quarters—was welcome news to Henry. For well he knew what the uninterrupted tranquillity of Europe would mean as regards himself. At Rome and elsewhere he had been pointed at as the real Turk for years; but he had defied and insulted Rome, and however much in fear of the temporal powers, he treated the spiritual head of Christendom with more marked contempt than ever. The news of the outrage on Becket's shrine filled the College of Cardinals, to whom it was announced by the Pope in consistory on the 25th October, with a horror greater even than that of the defeat of the Christian fleet by the Turks.[2] But what was to be done to avenge this new impiety? Excommunication had been tried years ago to correct Henry's former excesses, and it had been tried in vain. But excommunication was the utmost limit to which a mere spiritual power could go, and nothing more, apparently, could be done unless the temporal powers of Europe would aid Paul III. to carry out the sentence.

The question was referred to a committee of four cardinals, two of whom had held English bishoprics in time past, and one of them at least (Ghinucci) had continued anxious to do service to England even after his deprivation. The step ultimately taken was no doubt

[1] No. 748 (p. 289). Compare Nos. 683, 693. [2] Nos. 684, 686.

in accordance with their report. It consisted in the reissue with some additions of the bull of excommunication dated the 30th August 1535,[1] after citing which at full length the document went on to relate how the Pope had been induced to suspend its execution at the request of various princes in the hope that Henry would amend, and how that hope, which he had cherished for nearly three years, had been altogether disappointed. For the King every day increased in his ferocity, which he now exhibited, not merely against living priests and bishops as before, but even against dead saints. He had caused the bones of St. Thomas of Canterbury, which had been preserved in a golden shrine, to be "exhumed" and burned and scattered to the winds, after having, in gross contempt of religion, called the saint to judgment, condemned him as contumacious, and declared him a traitor. He had also appropriated all the precious gifts appended to the shrine; and, as if that were not enough, he had further spoiled the monastery of St. Augustine in the same city, expelled the monks and put in deer in their place—an enormity unheard of even among the Turks. It was impossible to deal with such a disease except by cutting off the rotten member. The Pope therefore was now resolved to publish the bull and proceed to execution; but as there was a difficulty in conveying its tenor to Henry himself, its publication at Dieppe and Boulogne in France, or St. Andrews and Coldstream in Scotland, or Tuam and Ardfert in Ireland, instead of at Tournay and Dunkirk, the places mentioned in the former bull, should be taken as equivalent to a personal intimation of it to the King and his subjects.[2]

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[1] *See* Vol. IX., No. 207.

[2] No. 1087. *See* the full text in Burnet and Wilkins. There are some peculiarities in the wording of this bull which have occasioned difficulties,

This was all that the Pope could do; but whether the bull even yet would ever be published, either in the Low Countries, in France, in Scotland, or in Ireland, depended on political considerations which were beyond his Holiness's control. Charles towards the end of the year was thinking more of an expedition to Constantinople against the Turk[1] than of making any effort for the coercion of England, until his own interests elsewhere were a little better established. Francis, indeed, was less interested in this matter, and though he promised to join it after the expiration of his truce with Solyman, he was of opinion that Christendom ought first to be purified within by the reduction of the king of England and the Lutherans to the true faith.[2] The French were really horrified at Henry's atrocities, and Francis was probably quite sincere in wishing for a perfect understanding with the Emperor and the Pope to bring him to his knees.[3] If the Emperor would only bind himself to break off all diplomatic intercourse with England, Francis was quite ready to do the same.[4] But if the Emperor thought the Turk a more pressing danger to him than England it was clear that Francis would do nothing, and the execution of this new bull, like that of its predecessor, would have to be deferred.

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particularly the alleged trial and condemnation of the Saint. The document printed by Wilkins professing to be a legal process against Becket (No. 133) is, as shown in the Calendar, a forgery; but it is not at all improbable that when Pollard was at Canterbury some ribald farce was enacted as a prelude to the destruction of the shrine, in which the Saint was summoned to appear and answer for his acts during life before a mock court of justice.

[1] Nos. 310, 311, 733, 939.

[2] No. 794, 814.

[3] No. 1053. For an individual expression of French feeling on the subject, *see* No. 323.

[4] No. 1054.

At Rome there was one Englishman painfully interested in the situation. From what he doubtless felt to be a really patriotic point of view—and even (as it may have seemed to him at first) for the preservation of his own family in England from their impending fate — cardinal Pole strongly urged the Emperor's ministers to take the Pope's part at once and free his country from a sacrilegious tyranny.[1] Later in the year he was commissioned to go to Spain as legate to plead the same cause to the Emperor himself;[2] while David Beton was raised to the Cardinalate and sent to Scotland to animate James V. in the same way.[3]

But Henry had long been arming himself against danger, either within the kingdom or from without. As early as March there was a talk about a new bodyguard for the King. The body of yeomen of the guard instituted by Henry VII., partly for dignity and partly for personal protection, had become inefficient from the laxity used in allowing many absences on account of private business; and it was intended to appoint a Great Master of the Household as in France, with fifty spears under him. The scheme remained some months in abeyance, and was expected ultimately to take effect at Christmas, though it is rather doubtful whether it ever took effect at all. The new body was to consist of a hundred gentlemen, members of the Household, each of whom had three horses in his own keeping. They were to be under the command of Fitzwilliam Earl of Southampton, the lord Admiral.[4]

Further, the King kept a watchful eye on all those powerful and prominent families which, it might reasonably be suspected, seriously disliked his proceedings;

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[1] No. 950.

[2] No. 1110.

[3] Nos. 1108–9, 1114–6, 1130, 1135–6.

[4] Part I., No. 503. Part II., Nos. 715, 878, 1111, 1120 (p. 469), 1124.

and long before the new body was constituted he had struck an appalling blow at some of the old nobility, Cardinal Pole's near relations being among the principal victims. At the end of August Sir Geoffrey Pole, the Cardinal's younger brother, was committed to the Tower.[1] His arrest was followed by that of his personal friend, at one time his servant, Hugh Holland, a Hampshire yeoman, who was taken up to London with his hands bound behind him and his legs tied under his horse's belly. The reason was not divulged, but a rumour arose among the country people that Holland was suspected of carrying letters over sea, and that if Sir Geoffrey Pole had not been interfered with he would have sent a band of men abroad to his brother the Cardinal.[2] The story was traced to a harper of Havant, whom the earl of Southampton put in gaol after he had been too lightly dismissed by a Sussex justice of the peace. But the reason for the detention of Sir Geoffrey and Holland was still kept a secret. After he had been nearly two months in prison a set of very searching interrogatories was administered to the former, as to the approval he had expressed of his brother the Cardinal's proceedings, the correspondence he had kept up with him and the medium of communication between them, and further, as to his intercourse with John Helyar, vicar of East Meon, in Hampshire,[3] who had fled abroad some years before to avoid the tyranny at home, and whether he had not arranged to meet him at Louvain, perhaps with the intention of going further to visit his brother the Cardinal, and what preparations he had made for his departure? Further, what persons had conversed with

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[1] No. 232 (p. 91). [2] Nos. 392–3.

[3] He held also the living of Warblington, where the countess of Salisbury's family seat was, in the same county.

him and expressed agreement with himself in wishing for "a change of this world"?[1]

To these interrogatories he made an imperfect answer on the 26th October before Fitzwilliam, earl of Southampton, and others commissioned to take his depositions in the Tower; but imperfect as it was, it implicated more or less, various other persons, among whom were his brother, lord Montague, the marquis of Exeter, lord Delawarr, and some of the canons of Chichester. Apparently the information was extracted by fear of torture after much discomfort in prison, and he was driven, by very terror, to beg "that he might have good keeping and cherishing," and he would then fully open all he knew, whether it touched mother, brother, uncle, or any other. He was brought up once more for examination on the 2nd November, and again on the 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th and 12th, and made more full revelations every time.[2] Meanwhile a number of other arrests were made and a number of other depositions taken. Montague and the marquis of Exeter were taken to the Tower on the 4th. "I think few lords in this country are safe," wrote the French ambassador in communicating the fact to Montmorency.[3] The marchioness of Exeter was examined and put her signature to depositions touching her husband, lord Montague and Sir Edward Nevill;[4] and inventories were taken of the property of the Marquis and descriptive lists of all his servants.[5]

The specific information elicited from day to day will be seen in the depositions.[6] Among other points that came to light there was found to have been some very

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[1] No. 695. [2] Nos. 743, 770, 795, 800, 804, 805.
[3] No. 765. [4] Nos. 754–5. [5] Nos. 752–3.
[6] Nos. 702, 766, 771–2, 779, 796–7, 801–5, 822, 826–31, 873–6, 954–63.

suspicious burning of private correspondence at the houses both of lord Montague and of Sir Geoffrey Pole.[1] Old accusations against the marquis and marchioness of Exeter were revived—how the marchioness had ridden in disguise in years past to consult the Nun of Kent, and how the Marquis had been put in the Tower in 1531, charged with assembling the people of Cornwall and aspiring to be King.[2] Being the son of Katharine, daughter of Edward IV., he was next in succession to the crown if the King died without lawful issue; and the fact could not but be much in people's minds. Lord Montague and Sir Geoffrey Pole, with the Cardinal, their brother, were also of the House of York, being sons of Margaret countess of Salisbury, the daughter of that ill-fated Clarence said to have been drowned in a malmsey butt. Their mother, too, was questioned closely, and it must be added brutally, by Fitzwilliam, earl of Southampton, and Goodrich, bishop of Ely,[3] as to her knowledge, either of her son the Cardinal's original departure from England, or of the flight of other exiles, or of the burning of papers or anything else in the conduct of her sons at home that looked like disloyalty; all which she steadily denied and maintained her own perfect innocence until, after Fitzwilliam had removed her to his own house at Cowdrey, some papal bulls and private correspondence were found in her house at Warblington which had escaped notice at a survey of her goods taken by Fitzwilliam himself, and which seemed to serve the purpose of the accusers.[4]

It is needless to pursue the story in detail. Montague and Exeter were brought to their trial as peers on

[1] Nos. 702, 830 (5 ii.), 954.

[2] Nos. 802, 961.

[3] Of course they were simply obeying orders given them by Cromwell. *See* No. 810.

[4] Nos. 835, 838, 855.

the 3rd December before lord Chancellor Audeley as High Steward, with the result that might have been foreseen. Next day Sir Geoffrey Pole, Sir Edward Nevill, Hugh Holland, George Croftes, late Chancellor of Chichester Cathedral, and John Colyns, clerk, were brought before the King's Bench. All but Nevill pleaded guilty, though Croftes at first stood out. The jury, however, found Nevill guilty with the rest, and the usual sentence was passed upon all.[1] On Monday the 9th December,[2] Holland and Dr. Croftes were hanged and quartered at Tyburn, and immediately afterwards the two lords, Exeter and Montague, with Sir Edward Nevill, were beheaded on Tower Hill. Sir Geoffrey Pole ultimately received a pardon from the King, but what could a pardon do for his peace of mind? Soon after his arrest he had made a desperate effort to commit suicide[3] and avoid the protracted examination which betrayed his family. He was now a miserable man for life. But even on the last day of the year his formal pardon does not seem to have been yet granted. He was still in the Tower, and the French ambassador was informed that they were still hoping to learn more from him.[4]

If anyone living in happier times be disposed to wonder at all this tyranny and injustice, and how it could have been safely perpetrated on prominent men in a high spirited nation like the English, he must remember that the merits of the case were not at all

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[1] Nos. 979, 986.

[2] Not on the 9th January, as Hall, and Stowe following him, assert. Stowe is wrong also as to the dates of the trials. *See* Wriothesley's Chronicle, i. 92, which is confirmed by No. 1056.

[3] No. 703.

[4] No. 1163 (p. 483). Wriothesley's Chronicle says the pardon was only granted to him after Christmas; perhaps it was just at the new year.

clearly or fully set before the public. The mode of trial always bore hard upon the accused, and if the people at large suspected, as they did, that all was not perfectly equitable, matters of State were not theirs to pry into. They could only compassionate in silence the victims of oppression. On the other hand there were men who thought the King could not be wrong whatever he did, and whose zeal for the overthrow of monasteries seems to have clouded their moral judgment as regards other parts of the King and Cromwell's policy. It is painful in the extreme to find a man like Latimer applauding the destruction of an innocent family in such words as he addressed to Cromwell on the 13th December: — "Blessed be God of England "that worketh all, whose instrument you be! I heard "you say once, after you had seen that furious invective "of Cardinal Pole, that you would make him to eat his "own heart; which you have now, I trow, brought to "pass, for he must needs now eat his own heart and "be as heartless as he is graceless."[1]

The ruin of Pole's unhappy family had been determined on long before[2]; and, sad to say, Latimer knew it, yet approved of the accomplished fact. The whole family were doubtless, in his eyes, enemies of "the truth." The Countess of Salisbury, who was not proceeded against, like her son, by any form of law, but was reserved for execution two and a half years later under an act of attainder, was strongly opposed to what she and most other people called "the new learning,"

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[1] No. 1036.

[2] Writing to Montmorency, immediately after the news of the arrest of the marquis of Exeter and lord Salisbury, Castillon observes, "It is long "since this King informed me that he meant to exterminate this house of Montague, which is of the White Rose."

though Latimer and the King's friends considered it the true Gospel; and one Gervase Tyndall, otherwise named Clifton, whose visits were unwelcome at Warblington, had not long before suggested the examination of her chaplains as likely to give information of some seditious speaking in her household. It was this Tyndall, apparently, who set in motion the inquisitorial machinery that was sure to do its work. His expenses were paid by Wriothesley in September for a double journey to and from Lewes and for living there two or three days, doubtless about the 27th August when Cromwell was there[1]—just before the date of Sir Geoffrey Pole's arrest. And there it was, no doubt, that he revealed to Cromwell things imparted to himself in confidence by members of lady Salisbury's household — how lady Salisbury forbade the reading in her house of English New Testaments and other new books authorised by the King,—under what circumstances John Helyar the fugitive rector of Warblington had a few years before escaped beyond sea,—and, most important of all, how Hugh Holland had of late been passing to and fro across the Channel, conveying letters to Helyar and forwarding some, it was believed, to the arch-traitor Cardinal Pole himself, by which all the secrets of the realm were known to "the Bishop of Rome."[2]

With this imperfect survey of the leading facts contained in the papers before us we must draw our remarks to a close. There are indeed many other subjects which invite attention on which we have not space to enlarge. Among these are the Duchess of Guise's letters to her daughter the new Queen of Scotland, the Irish, the Scotch, and the Border

[1] No. 1280 (p. 534). Compare No. 201.

[2] No. 817.

correspondence, which will probably invite retrospective treatment hereafter; the acquisition of land by the Crown for a new park, and the building of Nonsuch palace; also the well-known story of the English bible printed in France, of which we have some few further notices in documents not hitherto made known. But these subjects must be left to the reader to study for himself.

One thing more remains to be said. I have so frequently expressed my deep indebtedness to Mr. Brodie for his steadfast, able, and judicious assistance, that repetition might almost seem to be uncalled for. But it is only right to say that his great industry and sound judgment have added most materially to the value of these volumes, having enabled me in many cases to detect and eliminate, before it was too late, a large portion of those inevitable errors to which a work like this is continually liable, even with the most constant vigilance on the part of its Editor. I may add that these services are likely to be all the more important now, when owing to my no longer holding an official position in the Record Office, a coadjutor in constant attendance is an indispensable condition of the work being carried on as it has been.

LETTERS AND PAPERS,

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC.

HENRY VIII.

A.D. 1538.

1. Disposal of the Crown Revenues.

Cleop. E. IV.* 287. B. M. There will by this account remain to the King to be annexed to his Crown, over and besides all the monasteries lately surrendered—40,000*l.* His Majesty may reform the hospitals already founded or erect new to the yearly charge of 10,000 mks. He may furnish 200 gentlemen to attend upon him at 100 mks. yearly, 20,000 mks. He may appoint for certain garrisons 20,000 mks. He may assign yearly for repair of highways or other good deeds, whereby valiant beggars may be set to work, 5,000 mks. And yet his tenths, besides the first fruits, will amount to 20,000 mks. Since the suppresion, monasteries have come to the King's hands and have been given away, nearly to the value of 20,000*l.* with those that are now agreed to surrender.

In Wriothesley's hand. P. 1.

2. Sir William Kingston to Cromwell.

R. O. This day Roose, herald of Scotland, came to the King and delivered letters from his master, desiring a passport for certain ladies* and also gentlemen, which the King desires he shall have. They are now at Ware, and you are to appoint some to keep them company there, and get knowledge how they have been entertained in Scotland. This must be by some good cheer made to them in London; "and they to make now (*qu.* no?) great haste," so that the King may be near Dover at their coming to the sea side. Mr. Shurley's house, 2 o'clock.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

3. John Atkinson, Priest, to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Since I left you I have been sick and am yet but slightly amended. Physicians say it is consumption, which made me much afraid of myself, but I have been recovering since Easter. But for my illness I would have been in Yorkshire before this and have seen your Ladyship this summer. Your son Mr. George has been sick of an ague at his host's. I went to him and comforted him the best I could, and gave the wife money for his needs. She asked payment for his lodging and washing since Magdalen tide, which

* Madame de Montreuil and her suite, who had accompanied James V.'s first queen (Madeleine) into Scotland, and were now returning to France.

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3. JOHN ATKINSON, Priest, to LADY LISLE—*cont.*

I have promised to send at Easter. Edw. Russell fetched him away at Easter, but since then I have not heard of him. Mrs. Bridget is merry; her lady wants two partletts for her. It is said that lord Lisle is coming to England at Bartholomew tide and will have a garrison to rule near Portsmouth. It would be great gladness to me to see you both at your heart's ease in England. Mottesfont.

John Clement is merry and labours the world for his living. He thanks you for your kind letter.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* at Calais.

1 Aug. 4. CROMWELL to the BAILIFFS of the CITY of WORCESTER.

R. O. To release Richard Rithe, late of Evesham, goldsmith, attached on suspicion of false coining, that he may appear before Cromwell and others of the Council in the quinzaine of St. Michael ensuing; and to restore his goods. Petworth, 1 Aug. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.: Endd.*

1 Aug. 5. ROBERT [EARL of] SUSSEX to [CROMWELL.]

Vesp. F. XIII. 101. B. M. News has come to the Court of my lord Steward's death. Reminds Cromwell that the King granted him the reversion of the stewardship of his house after the said Lord's decease. Desires credence for his son, Sir Humphrey Radclif, and his chaplain. Eliplace in Holborn, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Address copied in a modern hand:* Privy Seal.

1 Aug. 6. NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Notwithstanding the order taken last term by the Council that my tenants should put their cattle upon the common which Candisshe pretends to be his, till he could show better title, his servants daily drive them off. I sent two of my bailiffs to him, and he said he would keep his title unless I prevented him by force. Order this wilful man and show that your Lordship and the King's Council will not have him break directions taken in Council and handle "a poor noble man" as he does me. Give credence to the bearer. Kenyngale, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* 1535. *Sealed.*

1 Aug. 7. HENRY LETHERLAND, Vicar of Newark.

R. O. "These be the true debts that I, Henry Letherland, vicar of Newarke and parson of Belton, doth owe this present day," 1 Aug. 1538. Creditors named, Ric. Levit, parish priest at Belton, Thos. Thorneton, parish priest at Newark, Thos. Yaitts of Lincoln, his chaplain, John Chandeler, Robt. Colling, Alex. Skott, Ric. Banyster, John Dronyng, Ric. Bennyngton, John Cooke, and the kitchen boy, his servants. I desire you that Agnes Leveit, widow, may have all the stuff she brought to Belton parsonage and three kye for her pains taken. Other debts to Alyson my servant at Belton, and to Sir Roger Boull of Poulles Pilley (Paulers Pury?), Ntht. Requests that he may have 20*s.* to be dealt to poor folks of Belton. Amounting in all to about 25*l.* *Signed.*

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1 Aug. 8. SIR FRAS. BRYAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Frauncisco arrived on the 29th with letters from the King for the return of my lord of Winchester, Master Thirleby and Bryan, when Dr. Boner is once placed in his place. On that day, neither Boner nor the

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French king had arrived, and Boner could not be here for a good season. Has therefore taken leave of the King. Sends letters from Mr. Wyatt from Spain which came open. On coming home, will have to declare to him honey with gall. The matter is too long to write. Hopes to be with the King at Ewerst or Eryge if the wind serves. Lyans, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir F. Brian. p° Aug. 1538.

1 Aug. R. O. **9.** ADRIENNE DE MORTAINGNE to LADY LISLE.

This day, 1 Aug., I have received your letter by a gentleman of your house. I cannot sufficiently requite your friendship. To come and see you, as you desire, before I leave Gravelines would gratify me above all things, but I must ask you to excuse me for six weeks yet as it is so lately that my husband* died, and I would not give occasion to any one to talk of me. As soon as the half-year is out I will not fail to come and pay my respects. That will be about Michaelmas. I should be glad if you would send Mademoiselle Marie to me at my house at Sain Tome (St. Omer). Gravelines, St. Peter's Day.

Commendations to lord Lisle.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la Debytis de Calais au dyt lyeue.

1 Aug. R. O. **10.** FLORANTYNE DE MORTAYGNE to LADY LISLE.

I thank you for the ring you have sent me by a gentleman of your house, and also for doing me and my sister De Touar the honour to invite us to your house. There is nothing I desire more in this world, but at present it is impossible, as it has pleased God to take my brother-in-law, Mons. de Touar, from this world. Half a year after his death, which will be at Michaelmas, we shall be glad to visit you if it please my husband† the captain. Gravelines, 1 Aug. *Signed.*

Commend me to my Lord.

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

1 Aug. Kaulek, 76. **11.** FRANCIS I. to CASTILLON.

Villefranche, 1 Aug.:—Has received the letters of 25 July, and approves the language held by Castillon. Does not believe they will soon see the daughter of England duchess of Milan, and that the Emperor pursues the marriage of the Infant with her to give them Milan. The memory is still too fresh of the interview of the Emperor and me, and we parted in too great amity to commence this language yet. You may believe we did not part without debating all the things which could estrange our amity for the future, and therefore you will do well not to rely too much upon what they tell you about Milan, and if they continue to speak of it, do not trouble to write it to me, for I know where I am with the Emperor touching this.

Can add nothing to his refusal to send Madame de Longueville to Calais. As to Brian, has never made him better countenance than since the interview The king of England can recall Winchester and Brian and do as he likes with his own servants. Castillon shall act as regards the English interview as the Constable has written, and continue to entertain the king of England.

French abstract.

*** A modern transcript is in R. O.

* Jehan de Touar, late captain of Gravelines.
† Apparently Brusset.

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1 Aug. **12.** The Provost and Chapter of the Sainte Chapelle of Dunoys to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. iv. 46. Adv. Lib., Edin.

You were good enough to say before your departure that you would continue while you lived the service of the dead, as you have done during the past two years "pour feu Monseigneur" (the late duke of Longueville), and that you would make assignation to keep it up. Have therefore continued the service since the conclusion of the second year on the 29 July last. Wish instructions whether to go on, and beg her to remember four high masses and vigils already celebrated by her order. Advise that "ronges" should be made for the common feasts of the martyrs. Remind her of her promise of 12 cr. or 12 ft. of wood out of the forest of Fretenal for the repair of her chapel of Saint Roch and of the *frairie* of "feu Monseigneur." If Monseigneur is to remain in the said *frairie* at the next feast of S. Roch, a year will be due, and the banquet, if it is to be held.

Chand, 1 Aug. *Signed:* "Les Prevost et Chappitre de vostre Saincte Chappele de Dunoys par commandement dudit chappitre. H. Bouchier.

Fr., pp. 2. *Add.:* A la Royne d'Escosse Duchesse de Longueville.

2 Aug. **13.** [Sir] Ric. Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O.

Conesby is found guilty and judged to be hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyborne. He asked to speak with Cromwell or Mr. Whreysseley for the King's advantage. Sends his letter. Sends depositions of ill words spoken by the parson of St. Margaret's Lothbury, whom he has committed to ward.

Has sent Cromwell's letter to the lord Chancellor, and has received from him the King's proclamation, which he sends on for Cromwell to see before it is proclaimed. By it the merchants will make their exchanges between now and All Saints' Day, which is a very short time, for they make them to Lyones, Jenes, Venysse, Spayne and other places, so that it will be Christmas before the rechanges return. Advises that the proclamation should be so made that it may endure till otherwise determined by an act of the next Parliament.

On Wednesday last, at 5 p.m., the roof, the lead, and the rood-loft of the church of St. Mary's Spetyll without Busshoppisgatte fell down. There was no one inside. Supposes it is the will of God that the said house should be converted to some better use. Has made a letter to the King, which he asks Cromwell to cause him to read, for the refreshing, maintaining, and comforting of the poor and sick.

Asks him to remind the King of his letter to Mr. Monockes for the Bursse, and for the accustomed warrants for the Mayor and Sheriffs. London, 2 Aug.

P.S., pasted on. Supposes that the lord Chancellor has made the proclamation so that the merchants may make a new suit to him at All Saints. Desires it to be re-made. What Gresham promised shall be ready when he will remind the King of the purchase of the lands in Norfolk.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd;* my lord Mayrs lettres.

2 Aug. **14.** Guidus Jannetus to Cromwell.

R. O.

Has decided to return to Italy as he is of no use here and may be there. Asks him to attend to his request made through Peter Vannes. Would not think of leaving if he were not compelled by need. Expresses his determination not to follow *idola Romana.* London, 2 Aug. 1538.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* Privati Sigilli Custodi, &c. *Endd.*

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15. GUIDUS JANETTUS to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Being unable to serve his Lordship, and being forced by necessity, has determined to return to Italy. If his Lordship has any commands for him, asks him to send them before going hence to the King.

Hol., Lat. p. 1. *Endd.*

2 Aug. **16.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Has received his sundry letters by Olyver, and according to that of the 28th ult., has delivered him the covenants for Soberton. In that of the 29th, where you state you are at a point with my lord Admiral for Porchester and Bere, you do not tell me at what point. As Mr. Oliver is to deliver your letter to my lord Admiral it will not be necessary for me to go to Court. I wrote you my lord Privy Seal's answer, who spoke to me of no writing to my lord of Chichester or others. I do not think your licence will be obtained till after Mr. Marshal's return. Cannot see what it will avail to move my lord Privy Seal any more for the Friars, as it has been done so frequently, and all is referred to Mr. Polstede's conclusion for Paynswick. If you will write to him, however, and say how long you have been delayed, I will obtain his answer. But as my Lord promises to do his best to obtain licence for you to come over and discuss matters with him, you might defer the subject till then. Will pay the draper who continually calls upon me for money the 10*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* due from Mr. Acton. Mr. Oliver says you are surprised I have not come over, but you have never written to me to that effect. London, 2 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

2 Aug. **17.** SIR J. RUSSELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks for Cromwell's letter. Trusts soon to be rid of his disease. Cheynes, 2 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Aug. **18.** WILLIAM BUTTON.

R. O. Recognizance by Wm. Hyde, of Densworth, Berks, before lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal, for the appearance of Wm. Button, of Alton, Wilts, now prisoner in the Tower, before the Council at any time within a year following. Petteworth, 2 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

2 Aug. **19.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to your letters, dated Oking, 26 July, I have sent by this bearer, my servant Lewes Johns, Roger Vaughan of Clero; and by another servant, Ric. Blyke, I have sent Thomas Vaughan separately. Thanking you for the relaxation of certain injunctions and for the warrant for the stag in the forest of Wyer, and also for the advertisement in your letters touching the extirpation of the bishop of Rome's authority and the abolishing of hypocrisy, idolatry, &c., in which I shall do my best. Give credence to the bearer in the particular causes he shall inform you of. From the New Town of Kedewen,* 2 Aug.

Mr. Justice Sulyard sends commendations and thanks for your remembrance of him in your late letters. *Signed*: Roland Co. et Lich.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Bishop of Chester.

* Newtown or Tre Newydd, Montgomeryshire, formerly Llanfair Ynghedewain.

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2 Aug. **20.** CHR. JENNEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. I. 560. Mr. Clarencieux shall inform your Lordship of the arraignment of Lancastre, Lytherland, and one Moreby, a monk of Fountains. The evidence against Lancastre was handled by Mr. Clarencieux and his fellows honestly and not of malice; albeit Lancastre alleged the contrary he could not prove it. After he was condemned he used himself like a good Christian. Of their requests concerning goods and debts, &c., we caused him and Litherland to make several books of remembrance, which I enclose. Mr. Clarencieux shall show you their demeanour at execution. "I devised that Lancastre's head should be set up by the body of Aske."

There was a little business between Sir Nicholas Fairefax and Fox, but we will know the truth before our departing from the North, and I shall show your Lordship thereof at my next waiting upon you. York, 2 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Serjeant Jenney.

2 Aug. **21.** RIC. POLLARD to CROMWELL.

R. O. At the assizes now at Exeter James Courtenay, Thos. Gibbes, and all their servants whose names are contained in Courtenay's confession to Cromwell, are indicted of felony. Put the confession in evidence. It is a great comfort to the country to see them punished. Three are attainted of high treason, and 18 others of felony, with five of James Courtenay's servants. It would be well if Courtenay and Gibbes came no more into Devonshire. John Sperke, a servant of Gibbes at London, is an arrant thief. Asks that he may be apprehended. Trusts shortly to wait upon Cromwell. Exeter, 2 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Confession of James Courtenay of his knowledge or participation in divers robberies of cloth, church jewels, fishing nets, cattle, &c., at various times.

In 4 Hen. VIII., when he was [in the compa]ny of Thomas Daveis, Ralph Greyn, his servant, Gree of Kenton, and Wm. Goonyll, they robbed Thos. Mongey in Topsame. In 9 Hen. VIII. he and his brother Thos. Gibbys robbed Powdram church. In 12 Hen. VIII. he and Thomas Gibbes, Ralph Bratt, and John Sperk robbed Blacawton church. In 12 Hen. VIII. they also robbed John Copston of Copston, at Tynggrace. He and . . . . . of Hoop, Rober Bacon of Marlborow at S . . . . . cut the "coad" of a net and caused four mackerel nets to be joined to it to make a "seyne" which they sold to the farmer of Byckbere for 4*l.* He commanded John Hechyn, Wm. Gervys, and Roger Cooke to rob John Herward's house. In 28 Hen. VIII. Hechyn (here called Hewchyng), Cooke, Thos. Lane, and Robt. Newton stole oxen of Hervy of Ladyswell, but Courtenay caused them to bring them back. In 25 Hen. VIII. Gervys, Hewchyn, Roger and Geoff. Brytten had sheep from Copston. In 25 Hen. VIII., Gervys, Hewchyn, Wm. Panton, and Cook took sheep from Hey House in Codbrogke; also from Forder of Stokill in Poll: also they and Lane had an ox from John . . . off Mylton in Alyngton parish. In 24 Hen. VIII. they took sheep from Watts, of Pole parish. In 25 Hen. VIII. they took an ox from Rope, of Mylton parish; and in 23 Hen. VIII. they took two oxen off Bygbery down. In . . .* Hen. VIII. they took two swine from Hasylwood. In 27 Hen. VIII. Courtenay and Rugeway took two sheep in Ylton. Wm. Dawlysche of Marlborow received two oxen stolen by Wm. Lee of Totneys, and Henry Heys of Chyrstowe, and one Pyell of Goton in

* Mutilated.

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Charleton, and another time 10 oxen which Dawlishe and Hugh Harrys brought to Stodbery wood, in a farm of Hugh's, and part of which they sold to Elyott of Byckbery. Dawlishe stole sheep of one Perot of Rewe in the parish of Marlborough. Informed Richard Hallys of the robbing of Blacauton church at the wedding of John Hooyll of Kingsbryge 16 years ago, and Hallys told Thos. Doonley of Marlborow, not two years past, and on Sunday before Whitsunday last Hallys sent me word by John Hyllersdon that he would never utter the said robbery. Richard Hallys came to my brother,* the last year my brother was sheriff, and desired favour for an arrant thief Robt. Harredon, and John Halls, the undersheriff, let him escape. Six or eight years ago George Stewer of Bouclond, fuller, came to John Gylbert and desired the peace against one Sumpter, who was brought before Richard Halls and discharged. A fortnight after Sumpter met Styer coming from market and killed him.

ii. [Examinations of] . . . . . afo[re] . . . . . and Sir Hugh Po[llarde].

Evidence given by Wm. Daym[an, of Slepton], of felonies committed by R[obert Baron, Piers] Chadder, and Wm. Jervys, servants to James Cort[naye]. That eight years ago they stole two codds of seine nete, one of which James Curtnaye sold to Roger Elyott of Bygbery. They sent one Yevylslegh, of Huysshe parish, to desire Dayman and Richard John not to charge them with this robbery, to which they would not agree.

Confession of Baron and Chadder, of the above.

Confession of Ralph Brytt, servant to James Curtnay :—That Curtnay, Thomas Gybbys and he 11 or 12 years past broke the house of the said . . . . . Copleston at Tynggrasse. As to the burning of the Woodbyne he knows nothing. As for the murder done by him at Salcome he has the King's pardon. Confesses the robbery of Blacauton church 14 years past along with Jas. Courtenay and others. Knows nothing of the robbing of John Harward of South Huysshe.

Sayings of Sir Richard Pryst, vicar of Lodyswyll, and John Harvy :—Two years ago Pryst lost two fat oxen, but found them again at his gate two days after making inquiry for them. Two years ago Pryst was on his way to Boltbury, Curtnay's house, when John Harvy asked him to inquire for two oxen he had lost, but Curtnay said he knew nothing of them.

Saying of John Hadde of Churchestowe :—That between Purification and Ash Wednesday last he lost sheep out of Aylston. Hugh Harrys told Richard Halse that Roger Perott and Thos. Lane had them.

Evidence of Wm. Warde of Kyngeston, against the servants of James Curtnay, esquire :—About loss of sheep.

Evidence of John Edward against Roger Phelyp :—That three years past Phelyp stole some of his sheep in South Mylton and he complained to Sir Wm. Curtnay, to whom Phelyp confessed taking them to Boltbery, James Curtnay's house.

Evidence of Wm. Putt :—Lost an ox at Norton and tracked it to Alsyngton.

Evidence of Hugh Very against John Huchyns, Wm. Paumton, and John Scryche, servants to James Curtnay :—Lost two fat hogs out of Halswood, where they were at mast.

Sayings of Ric. Worthe, parson of Thorleston, Robert Fayerwether, and Davy Stevy[ns?].

Saying of Thomasyn Cragoe, late servant to Mr. James Curtnay, examined by Sir George Carne and Sir Hugh Pollard :—Various small robberies by her master and his servants.

In Richard Pollard's hand, pp. 12. *Mutilated.*

* Sir Hugh Pollard, the statement being written down by his brother Richard, who was sheriff at the taking of the depositions. Sir Hugh was sheriff in 1535-6.

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2 Aug. **22.** J. de Honcourt to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. Gave a goshawk the other day to a gentleman of the Deputy's to present to him. Asks for a hawk, if he has any to spare. Offers to get him goshawks when he wants any. Castle of Abbe[ville], 2 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

2 Aug. **23.** Montmorency to Castillon.

Kaulek, 77. Paray le Monial, 2 Aug. :—Never two princes were greater friends than the Emperor and Francis; and the former will certainly not give Milan with the marriage of the Infant and lady Mary, nor give the king of England the widowed duchess of Milan. Warns him not to believe these stories, for they tell the same to the Emperor to make profit on both sides. Castillon had better entertain the King with good words and not show he is afraid of them or make more suit to them; for Francis indeed wishes to keep the amity of his good brother, but not to buy it so dear as they would sell it. As the interview the English speak of is only to throw suspicion on that with the Emperor, Castillon shall listen to what they say without showing that Francis is inclined for it. As to the marriage, has already answered: they are not ladies to be sent to trot on show; but he shall have his choice of any one in the kingdom. Whatever follies Brian may have written, if it has been after supper, Castillon knows what to answer. Nothing was done there without his being called to it, and the King made him as good cheer and as confidential as possible, as M. de Lassigny will have shown. Brian departed so suddenly that a present could not be given him, but one shall be sent to him there. The King will be in ten days at Chavaignac and fifteen days afterwards at Blois and Amboise, where he will so order his affairs that he shall not trouble his friends, and his enemies shall trouble him still less. Paray le Moyneau.

P.S.—Let me know what cheer they make you on Brian's arrival, and, above all, find out what reports he makes there and send back this courier who is paid for his return. When we are in a place of sojourn I will send your money. Hearing that your man of the office of waters and forests of Brittany was dead, I have commanded M. de Villandry to expedite you.

French extract.

*** A modern transcript is in R.O.

3 Aug. **24.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 373. Wrote about a twelvemonth ago of the flight of Robt. Antony, sub-cellarer of Christchurch.* Hears that he was at Rome and has returned, and that the prior has called a chapter and readmitted him. Thinks this not well done, unless he had first been examined by the Council. Thought it well to advertise Cromwell thereof, that the King might know. Had letters from a scholar who met him beyond sea going to Rome ward, but is not sure whether he has been there.

Recommends the suit of his servant Nevell for his farm at Bowghton under the Blayne, which he had of the abbot and convent of Feversham, and which the King has commanded him to be dispossessed of. It will be a great disquietness to him to see his servant and officer, who has done him good service and always been ready to the King's business at the late commotion and otherwise, so suddenly expelled for so small advantage. Doubts not he will be willing to reform anything in the lease, but to have him clearly excluded were too much extremity. Lambeth, 3 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* *See* Vol. XII., Pt. 1., No. 436.

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3 Aug. **25.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his goodness to the bearer, Wm. Swerder. Intends to send him to France or Italy, and asks Cromwell for a passport for him. Desires him to be good lord to Master Statham and Mistress Statham, "my lord of Worseter hys noryse, as touching the suit that the bishop of Worseter had unto you for them." Reminds him of Hutton, in Flanders, who has none to help him but Cromwell. "If you could make him an abbot or a prior, and his wife an abbess or prioress, he were bound unto you, as he is nevertheless most bound unto you of all men; but if you would help him to such a perfection, I dare undertake for him that he shall keep a better religion than was kept there before, though you appoint him unto the best house of religion in England." Lambeth, 3 Aug.

These houses are in Hutton's country: Combe Abbey, Merevale, Eytun, and Polyswerth. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Aug. **26.** CASTILLON and LASSIGNY to FRANCIS I.

Kaulek, 73. Kingston, 3 Aug.:—Lassigny arrived 31 July and found Castillon. After communicating his intention they went together to the King, who was hunting 40 miles from London, and Lassigny in presence of Castillon declared his charge, and suggested as dexterously as he could the great amity in which the Emperor and Francis parted. He replied, looking as if the thing scarcely pleased him, "And the duchy of Milan?" Lassigny answered he did not know, but that they could not be greater friends. He did not yet know the Emperor had slept at Aigues Mortes. "The friendship will not last long," said he. "I once was in company (*ai eu la veüe*) with the Emperor for three weeks." Lassigny then asked for a passport to go to Scotland, as he was charged to say as much to the king of Scots. The King seemed surprised, but gave the passport willingly.

After their conversation Castillon spoke at some length with him, and found him as assured of the amity of the Emperor as Castillon wrote on the 25th ult., and, to hear him speak, he has some hope of meeting the Emperor, for he said, "Since the King my brother has seen the Emperor, he will not find it strange if I see him." He continues confident of the marriage of the Infant and lady Mary with the conditions of Milan, and seems to wish to return to the marriage of the duchess of Milan, for he said that since the Emperor and Francis parted he had had news of it. Thinks that for these matters, and because he doubts the sure amity of Francis and the Emperor, he is sending this courier to his ambassadors in Spain to learn the truth, and another to the queen of Hungary in Flanders. He will spare nothing not to remain alone. He will send a reply by Lassigny on his return from Scotland.

French abstract.

*** A modern transcript is in R.O.

3 Aug. **27.** CASTILLON and LASSIGNY to MONTMORENCY.

Kaulek, 79. [Kingston], 3 Aug.:—Lassigny leaves tomorrow for Scotland. It would be good for you to learn as soon as this King whether you or he is deceived. If you have nothing of consequence to negociate here, I (Castillon) request to be recalled, and will not spare myself in any other place where you may employ me. You are very long in sending me money; I cannot write the trouble I am in for it.

French extract.

*** A modern transcript is in R.O.

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[3 Aug.] **28.** HERRY POLSTED to CROMWELL.

R. O. Went to-day to Sir John Dudley to have concluded with him for his reversion in Gloucestershire, but he had made provision already for money and sold Drayton to Mr. Pope. Pope did not know that Cromwell wished to purchase it, and said that Robynson concluded the bargain with Sir John on Friday week, and yesternight the indentures were sealed. Desired both Pope and Dudley to write to Cromwell about it. Gives particulars of the transaction and advises Cromwell to purchase the manor again of Pope. Dudley is minded to part with his reversion in Gloucestershire to Cromwell. The Rolls, Saturday afternoon.* *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* my Lord my master. *Endd.*

3 Aug. **29.** ADRIANE DE NOYELLE, Old Abbess of Bourbourg, to MARY BASSET.

R. O. I desire to know how you are, and my lord Deputy and your mother. Since your departure, my niece† and I cannot sufficiently thank them for the love they have shown us in honour of the Church. Bourbourg, 3 Aug. *Signed:* Adriane de Noyelle, auchienne abesse.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Mademoiselle Maarie de Basset, a Cales.

3 Aug. **30.** ANTHOINETTE DE BOURBON [DUCHESS OF GUISE] to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. II. 23. Adv. Lib., Edin. Cannot express the joy your father and I have had from the letters you have written to me—not from his (*i.e.*, those to him) with which he has gone to Court, thinking that mine were for both of us. We rejoice to hear of the good health of the King and you, and of the good reception given you on your arrival. You and we have cause to thank God for having lodged you so well. "Je ne fere pleus que couster sy me mandre point vous trouves degoustee, et combien je vous desire continuasion de sante, sy ne sereje marye vous dire se mal." All well on our side. Your father came to see me here soon after my return. His stay (*son sieur*, apparently an error for *séjour*) there was only 15 days; for having had news of the interview and good cheer between the King and the Emperor, and thinking peace assured, after they had parted, as the King was approaching Lyons, he left on Wednesday last to return to his own Burgundy, passing through the towns in order to be at Moullins on the arrival of the Court there, "ou il a este monde (*mandé?*)." He there awaits "la despeche entier de la dite Bourgongne pour luy, ainsy luy a este monde (*mandé?*); toutefois tant que la voire non prendre seurte."‡ The Admiral's affairs do not prosper; it is said the Emperor has not spoken much to his advantage. Our grandson is as well as can be; you never saw him so *en bon point*. His grandfather has managed him well, and the two were so friendly that they could only separate with tears. He enjoyed himself so much with him that he has lost part of his naughtiness (*mauveystyé*), but somewhat still remains "des rongnes," both in the head and all over. For three days he has not ceased speaking "de la Royne Madame et racontet touplain et de Chateaudum a de lesprit largement." His uncles are well, but not your sister, who has taken a quartan fever within this fortnight. I shall not be

* This letter is here placed under the date of the first Saturday in August; but a reference to Part I., Nos. 1472–3, makes Saturday the 27 July the more probable date.

† Anthoine de Noyelle.

‡ The meaning seems to be "He there awaits a favourable despatch of the whole matter of Burgundy, for so they have given him to expect; nevertheless till I see it I shall feel no surety of it." The modern reader is much perplexed with spellings like *voire* and *prendre* for *verrai* and *prendrai*.

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sorry if it take away her paleness, and I think even now she is not so yellow as she was. Except this day of her *access* she keeps pretty well, and I fear nothing but the length of her illness. I hear nothing more "de pourpos conneuse dauent (?) vous"; you are nearer at hand to know about it than we. As to Gueldres, knowing of the death of our uncle* they have written to us that my brother-in-law† has made application both to the Emperor and to the King to obtain his rights; but I know not yet what he has done therein. He has been ill on this voyage with gout, going by sea to visit the Emperor when he was near Nice. He was not so brave as you who were never sick, and that gives me hope that some time you will not be afraid to cross again (*ne craindre point la repaster*). If I were younger I would like to try it and go and see you. Your father says now that we have peace he will do so.

These letters were not finished the day they were begun because the messenger who was to take them was gone. I wrote them eight days ago. I have got as messenger one of your subjects (?) of Normandy, who came for the vicomte d'Estrepaigny, who was on the point of death. Already there are many applicants, though he is not dead. . . . . Whatever affects your interests or your son's will be seen to as if it were our own. Your *belle mere* wants to sell some wood. They will hinder her as much as possible. "Madame la Marquyse‡ luy en pourchasse la despeche a la Court," but she can hardly remain there longer, for she is said to be very big and about six months gone. I think they are all at this hour at Moullins. Your father expected to be there tomorrow. I am very anxious to learn how he prospers there. He desired me at parting to send his humble recommendations to the king of Scots. Jainville, 5 Aug.

Fr., pp. 3. *Add.:* A la Royne d'Escosse. *Parts of this letter are almost unintelligible, from the difficulty of the handwriting and spelling.*

4 Aug. **31.** WALSINGHAM PRIORY.

Close Roll, p. 1, No. 68. Rymer, xiv. 619.

Surrender of the house and its cell of Flycham, and all possessions in cos. Norf., Suff., Essex, and Camb., and elsewhere in England and Wales and the marches thereof, belonging to the said house or to the said cell. 4 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged same day, before Wm. Petre, King's commissioner.

4 Aug. **32.** THE FRIARS OF WORCESTER.

R. O.

Certificate that, 4 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., the two houses of friars in Worcester surrendered into the hands of Ric. bp. of Dover, the King's visitor, in the presence of John Browghyng, deputy to the bailey, and Thomas Hyll, town-clerk; considering that they were not able to live for very poverty, and no charity had come to them as of old, for in the space of six weeks each house had run at least 3*l.* in debt. The visitor then took inventories§ of their goods, which he delivered to Browghyng and Hyll, and despatched them. *Signed by John Braughyng and Thomas Hyll, and by Edmund Leyddyngton, as witness.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

4 Aug. **33.** RIC. [SAMPSON], Bishop of Chichester, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has no matter of weight to write, but takes the opportunity of his servant passing the Court.

* Charles duke of Gueldres, whose sister Philippa was wife of René, duke of Lorraine, and mother of the duchess of Guise. He died, according to Anderson, on the 25 June 1538.

† Anthony duke of Lorraine.

‡ Johanna of Rohan, wife of Francis marquis of Rothelin, a younger brother of the late duke of Longueville.

§ These inventories being undated, were placed by conjecture in the end of July. *See* Part I., No. 1513.

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33. Ric. [Sampson], Bishop of Chichester, to Cromwell—*cont.*

There is no need to write of the great matters here with the Germans, as there were lately such reporters of the same with the King. Hears from Mr. Crofftes, one of the canons of Chichester, that Cromwell will lodge at his house when he comes thither. London, 4 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Aug. **34.** Duke of Norfolk and Sir Roger Touneshend to Cromwell.

Cleop. E. iv. 102. B. M. Ellis 1st Ser. ii. 85.

On Thursday last the justices, on their way to Bury assize, came to the Duke to dinner, and informed him that Anth. Browne, sometime Observant Friar of Greenwich, who late took upon him as a hermit, and, being accused of treason, was committed to ward by Townsend, had confessed on being brought before them at Norwich. Send his confession. He received judgment accordingly, giving the sheriff ten days' respite for his execution, because the judges thought it well a sermon should be made by the bishop of Norwich as was done by the bishop of Worcester at friar Forest's execution. Finding from conversation both with the judges and the sheriff that some in these parts doubted if the Bishop meant well about Brown's opinions, Norfolk, by their advice, sent for both the Bishop and the friar, desiring Townsend, who "is only of the King's Council in these parts" to be present at the examinations. This forenoon we so handled the friar that he would not stick on the authority of the bishop of Rome, but denied that a temporal prince could be head of the Church. The Duke had with him Dr. Call, a Grey Friar, who "handled him right honestly" in defence of the King, but to no purpose. Since dinner have been eftsoons in hand with him, when the bishop of Norwich came, who undoubtedly handled the matter in such sort that it should have turned the opinion of any man not given to wilfulness as this fool is. The Bishop and Call have both shown themselves learned men and true subjects. Have delivered Browne to the sheriff, to suffer on Friday next; before whose death the Bishop will preach such a sermon as will convince everybody that he deserves to suffer. Send the bearer in haste in case it be thought advisable to have him brought to the Tower and tortured. The return message should be sent to the sheriff at Norwich, as the Duke knows not where he may be found. Kennyngale, 4 Aug. 1538.

P.S.—Since writing the Bishop wished to talk with the friar, not to save his life but for the weal of his soul; and Townsend saw the Bishop handle him very clerkly, but though he divers times was like to have altered, he persisted in his errors. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

4 Aug. **35.** Florentyne de Mortaygne to Mary Basset.

R. O.

Commend me to your mother. I hope to come with my sister De Thovare and pay my respects to her. My sister De Thovare's grandson is dangerously ill. I thank you for the remembrance you have sent me. I I send you a pair of bracelets of my colours. Gravelines, 4 Aug. anno '38.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Mademoselle Marie, la fille de Mons. le Debitys de Calais.

4 Aug. **36.** Card. Pole to Card. Contarini.

Poli Epp. ii. 139.

Was glad to learn by his letters that he was well; the more so as it was said that he had found himself so weak on the way as to be unable to make the journey according to the plan formed here. As to his courteous invitation to come into those parts; was decided to do so uninvited, and was only waiting till Monsignor Aloisio should be despatched from Venice,

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whither he had not yet gone since Contarini's departure, but he will set out tomorrow and return soon. If Pole's departure be still longer delayed, he will not fail to send that happy company of St. Basil and St. Augustine. As to these news of the peace, can only say, as a painter at Verona replied to him when speaking of spiritual things, "O bontà di Dio; et quod non frustra cadit in terram verbum Domini, &c." "Ego interim fructus otii hic capio con questo buon Padre con tanta avidita con quanta mai agnello da latte sugens ubera matris." Has asked Aloisio to supply the rest. Commendations to Monsignor Tomaso and Monsignor Mattheo. Treville, 4 Aug. 1538.

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5 Aug. **37.** The German Ambassadors to Henry VIII.

Cleop. E. v. 173. B. M. Burnet, iv. 352.

Do not wish to be troublesome, but have thought proper again to write to the King on matters of religion. Declared to him long ago their instructions and by the King's own request conferred for nearly two months with certain bishops and divines on the articles of the Christian religion. Have no doubt the result will be a sincere agreement between the King and the German princes. Cannot remain for the further discussion of abuses, but before their departure state their mind to the King, who will doubtless have the subjects discussed by his divines.

Three heads of papal idolatry must be got rid of if the power of Rome is to be rooted out:—The prohibition of communion in both kinds, private masses and enforced clerical celibacy. Give arguments on each of these heads at considerable length. London, 5 Aug. 1538.

Signed: Franciscus Burgratus, Vicecancellarius: Georgius a Boyneburgk, D., Oratores:—Friderichus Myconius, ecclesiastes Gothanus.

Lat., pp. 72.

Cleop. E. v. 209. B. M.

2. Summary of the above in Tunstall's hand, headed: "Litterarum oratorum Germaniæ brevis summa."

Lat., pp. 6. *An abridgment of this in English is printed in* Strype's Eccl. Mem. I. ii., No. 96.

Ib. 256.

3. Copy of § 2, in another hand.

Imperfect, pp. 2.

5 Aug. **38.** Franciscus Burgratus Vice-cancellarius and Georgius a Beineburg, doctor, Oratores, to [Cromwell].

Vitell. B. xxi. 169. B. M.

"[Spectabil]is ac magnifice Domine," according to your desire expressed by Chr. Montanus, to whom we have committed some things to be explained to you in return, we send you a letter for the King about certain abuses introduced by the bp. of Rome into the Church. Beg Cromwell will promote the matter so that they may leave in 14 days by the Hamburg ships. Have great hope of agreement in matters of religion. London, 5 Aug. 1538.

Lat., pp. 2. *Mutilated. In the handwriting (signatures included) of the secretary to the Embassy.*

39. Franciscus B[urgratus] to [Cromwell].

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Reminds him of the letters of Bernhard a Mila, that that matter may be dispatched before the writer's departure. *Signed:* "Franciscus B. Vᵉ."

Hol. Lat., p. 1. *Endd.:* Thambassador of Saxon.

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5 Aug. **40.** Robert Cowley to Cromwell.

R. O. Suggests that Cromwell's servant, Jas. Sherlok, who has arrived with
St. P. III. 63. letters from the Council of Ireland, should be examined with regard to the Deputy's proceedings there.

The Deputy "despised" and alienated the Irishmen whom Skeffington allured to the King's service, so that they returned to the rebels, as O'Nele and others. His affection to the Geraldines, and suffering young Gerald, Kildare's son, to escape, and with Jas. Delahide, Robt. Walshe, and all the rabble of traitors, to continue with Eleanor, Kildare's sister, and accompany her from south to north of the land 300 miles, without any attempt at apprehension. The Deputy's winning garrisons, and giving them "for lucre to himself," to Desmond and O'Brene, will make fearful trouble if they unite with O'Neill, O'Donell, and O'Conor of Connaught. There are five O'Conors, viz., O'Conor of Affaley, the Deputy's counsellor, O'Conor Roo, O'Conor Don, O'Conor Corcomroo, and O'Conor Connaught, who is stronger than all the other four. Although the Deputy has a few young boys as hostages, Irishmen take little note of their pledges.

The lord Chancellor, who has ever been a Geraldine, is dead. None in Ireland is so meet for the room as Mr. Alen, Master of the Rolls. Desires despatch for himself and Mr. Cusac. Sherlok says Wm. Saintloo will not suffer him to enjoy his office and farm. Hears many complaints of Saintloo's misdemeanors. London, 5 Aug.

The abp. of Dublin told Sherlock that the Deputy when in Galway highly entertained a Papist who lately obtained a bishopric there by the bp. of Rome's bulls. I reckon it is he who expelled the King's presentee from the bpric. of Clonfert.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. with a memorandum of the contents of the letter.*

5 Aug. **41.** Grey Friars, Bridgenorth.

R. O. Certificate of the surrender of the [Grey Friars] of Bridgenorth to Ric. bp. of Dover. The warden and brethren say they could not live, for the charity of the people was so small that in three years they had not received in alms in ready money 10*s.* a year, but only live by a service they had in the town in a chapel on the bridge. The house with appurtenances was delivered to Thos. Hall and Randolphe Rodes, bailiffs, by indenture. 5 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Hall and Rodes.*
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R. O. 2. Inventory of the house of Grey Friars in Bridgenorth, received by the lord Visitor and delivered by him to Thos. Hall and Randolph Rodes, bailiffs there.

A suit of red velvet. 6 copes; yellow silk, green silk, silk with birds, and cloth of bankeng. 3 old vestments. 4 "tenacles" (tunicles) of banken. 4 surplices. 2 cross cloths, stained, 3 chasubles. 9 albs. A little altar cloth. 2 corporas cases with the cloth, one poor. A fair cross of copper and gilt with Mary and John. 3 great coffers. A silk cope with 2 old tunicles.

In the choir.—2 great candlesticks of lay metal. 4 candlesticks, a censer, and a ship of laten. A cross of lay metal with a staff. A hanging lamp and holy water stoup of laten. 2 sacre bells. 2 small cruets. 2 bells in the steeple. A pair of organs. 3 old altar cloths. 13 books.

In the fratry.—5 tables.

Plate.—A chalice and six spoons. 14½ oz.

In the kitchen.—Kitchen utensils and "conduit coming from the high cross which was not seen many years."

In the brew-house.—A copper with a fornes (*furnace*). A brass pan. *Signed by Hall and Rodes.*

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6 Aug. R. O. Ellis 3 Ser. iii. 62.

42. The Council of the North to Cromwell.

Clarencieux king at arms, Somerset, Rouge Dragon and Rouge Cross, have been at the assizes at York and assisted in setting forth the King's affairs against Thomas Millar, late called Lancaster, who has suffered according to his demerits. Will inform the King of what is done further. York, 6 Aug. *Signed*: Robt. Landaffe—T. Magnus—Rauff Ellerkar yonger, k.—Thomas Fairfax—Robert Bowis—Willm. Babthorp—Robt. Chaloner—Jo. Uvedale.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Aug. Close Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. p. 1. m. 38 d. Rym. xiv. 603.

43. Sir Richard Ryche.

Charter of Thomas abp. of Canterbury, granting to Sir Ric. Ryche the advowson of the parish ch. of Alta Onger, Essex. 7 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

ii. Confirmation of the preceding by Thos. prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, and the chapter. 10 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

iii. Recognition of the deeds by the abp. and the prior and convent, 9 Sept., before Chr. Hales, Master of the Rolls.

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44. [Grey] Friars, Lichfield.

Certificate of the surrender of the friars of Lichfield to the bp. of Dover, voluntarily, without any counsel or constraining, for very poverty, in presence of Ric. Wetwode, master of the guild there, Alexander Grene, and Thos. Lont, coustables. The visitor delivered the house and goods to the master and constables, gave every friar a letter and departed. 7 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed*—Per me Rychard Wetwod—per me Alyxandur Grene—per me Thomas Lontte—*all apparently in Wetwod's hand, though the two latter have set their marks in the margin.*

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2. Inventory of the "stuff" of the Grey Friars of Lichfield received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to Master Ric. Wetwode, master of the guild there, and Alex. Grene and Thos. Lont, constables, till the King's pleasure be further known.

Contains a list of articles in the kitchen, brewhouse, choir, and sextry, subjoined to which is an account of the debts of the convent certified by the warden, partly for malt and rye; also 30*s.* borrowed "for byldyng of the quere," and 20*s.* due to the bp. for five years' rent.

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45. W. Earl of Southampton to Cromwell.

This day arrived here a Breton named Piers Shemewe, who presented unto me a supplication with a testimonial from the country of Britaigne, and a testimonial from the Isle of Man. As I find the latter somewhat strange, I desire your Lordship, when the said Breton shall come to you therewith, to read it and make answer to him and write to me that I may make the same answer. Guldeford, 7 August. *Signed:* W. Southampton.

P. 1. *Add.*: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Admiral.

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46. John Lord Audeley to Cromwell.

I beg your help that the King may have true knowledge what the lordship of Kemmes is worth, which Wm. Owen now has for 600*l.*, of which 50*l.* is to pay, as appears by his obligation, and he would fain give me money to be thoroughly at a point with me. If you knew its value and the behaviour of the said William, I am sure you would have it bestowed on one that would do the King faithful service as Owen will never do. If you will get it surveyed the King will find that all was not true that was reported to my hindrance. Fawndres Marsh, 7 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*: Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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7 Aug. **47.** William Lok to [Henry VIII.]

Galba B. x. 82. B. M.

We have had very good sale of cloths at the Mart, but the Easterlings who came before us have "scathyd" us in our sales more than 2,000*l.* Here is great plenty of money, which causes all wares to be dear. Your subjects will bring back above 3000 *li. st.* in angels and "dokeckes" We seek all the angels here, and give 1*d.* in a piece to have them to carry home, so that I trust there will be but few left here in a short time. The Staplers have had a great sale at Calais for their wool, mostly for gold crowns, ready paid. It is very good to hear that your Grace's commodity is in such high reputation.

Letters have come today that the Emperor has arrived safely in Spain, and intends to do a great feat upon the Turk; that the Greeks in Candy have killed many Turks who landed there, and sunk three of their great galleys, and are making great preparations to resist him.

It is reported that the French king and his Queen will meet the Regent near Bryselles in 20 days, where they will hunt, and afterwards have great triumphs in the town. It is marvellous to hear of the great familiarity between the Emperor and the French king at their being together.

Touching Gelderland, "the yo[ung] duke of Cleves holdeth it as this day, yet as their chief head and lord and [so] all the Gelders doth take him," and ambassadors have gone from the lady [Regent] here to know whether he will give it up to the Emperor or not, and to propose his marriage with a great lady in this land. This duke is 22 years of age, very wise and hardy and much beloved. It is said that the Emperor bought of the old duke of Gelders all Gelderland, but there was no writing sealed and he has broken his covenants, so he must make a new appointment with this young duke of Cleves.

There have been great triumphs in Antwerp for this peace; processions with the holy Sacrament, fires, gunshot and melody, and jousts will be held by the Spaniards, two of whom have challenged all comers. Went to see some plate of the cardinal of Luke that was brought hither to be sold to certain goldsmiths for the French king. Some of it was so meet for your Grace and so stately, that I could not find it in my heart to suffer it to go into France, and I have therefore bought 12 pieces of one fashion, which I will bring with me. The rest I will try to stop until your Grace has seen these.

I have provided the things of which you spoke to me at my departure.

Hol., pp. 2.

7 Aug. **48.** William Lok to [Cromwell].

Galba B. x. 83. B. M.

To the same effect as the preceding. Antwerp, 7 Aug. 1538.

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49. Ric. Bp. of Dover to Cromwell.

R. O. Ellis 3d. Ser. iii. 189.

Since he last wrote from Gloucester, has received into the King's hands two convents in Worcester, one in Bridgenorth and one in Atherstone, and is now in Lichfield. The Bp. of Worcester had the release of the convents there to take to Cromwell. Sends the copies of the inventories of the houses there and at Bridgenorth, and the release of the latter. Divers of the friars are very loth to forsake their houses, and yet they are not able to live. Thinks that all there is in the houses is not able to pay the debts in most cases. Lichfield "is in that taking, and yet loth to give up. Blackfriars in Worcester is a proper house without any lead, and may dispend by year in rotten houses above 20 nobles by year, but all is in decay. There was an ancras, with whom I had not a little business to have her grant to come out, but out she is." The Grey Friars is a fair house, well builded, with not

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above 40*s.* a year in orchards and gardens, two "yelys" (aisles) leaded, the rest tile and slate. The Grey Friars at Brygenorthe is the poorest house he has seen, not worth 10*s.* a year, "all the houses at fallyng downe." Recommends Nic. Holte, who wishes to have it. Atherstone is a little house in decay, but may spend 4 mks. a year, of which they pay 4 nobles a year in rent. One Ameas Hyll, a servant of the King's, has most of the ground by lease. There is no lead, but houses in decay. All the stuff is not worth 40*s.*, besides a chalice and a bell. Sends a copy of this inventory. Asks Cromwell to send these friars their warrants to change their habits, and to send him word whether he shall keep this order with the friars or no. Thinks he does them much good, for in their religion they are not able to live, yet many of them are loth to depart, especially of the Grey Friars. "They be so close each to other, that no man can come within them to know their hearts." Has more business with them than with all the friars beside. One of them ever gives warning and counsel to other, and as much as they may they prevent his purpose before he comes, but since he received Cromwell's last letter none have escaped, and few will, unless he sends contrary commandment. Has no money to pay his costs, nor tax of the houses due to the office. Since he took one noble, has spent 20 nobles of the money he had of the King's for Winchelsey stuff. Unless he may sell for his necessaries, will have neither money of his own nor of the King's in 14 days. Asks what to do about the warrants for friars far from London. It will be too great a charge to send up to London for theirs and back again. Asks also whether he may sell anything for the costs and debts, and whether he shall keep this order in putting out friars. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Rychard Deverus.

8 Aug. R. O. **50.** Ric. Bp. of Dover to Cromwell.

Has been in Lichfield where the friars all gave up their house. The Warden is sore diseased in his face, "whether of a canker, or a pocke, or a fistula, I know not." He has been little at home this half year, "yet now he came home and was loth to give up his house," though it is more in debt than all the stuff that belongs to it would pay, chalice, bells and all, by 20 nobles. Sends the testimony of their release, and the copy of the inventory with the debts. Asks that this man may bring the warrants for the friars of Lichfield and Adderston. 8 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. R. O. **51.** Peter Vannes to Cromwell.*

After the French ambassador had read the letters I gave him from your Lordship, he answered he had already been informed by certain French merchants that it was not by Frenchmen, but by Biscayans, who were in that part of the sea at the time, that the wrong had been done to the Admiral's ship. Said I could affirm nothing, but I was sure the King was not accustomed to admit uncertain expostulations as proofs, nor were the English sailors so ignorant but that they could tell a French ship from a Spanish. I wondered, too, how these French merchants knew of this affair so quickly. He said he was about to write fully to his King, and from him condign punishment may be demanded if the authors were discovered to be French. I said it was the brotherly part of friendship to take up and right one another's wrongs. The truth could not be hidden if he committed the matter to his magistrates and prefects of ports.

Letters from Flanders state that the promulgation of peace was received with bonfires, and that the Queen in her palace has deferred it for some days,

* This letter was erroneously inserted in Vol. XII., Pt. II., No. 471, as of the year 1537.

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51. Peter Vannes to Cromwell—*cont.*

in order to make it with more solemnity. The marquis of Guasti is made governor of Milan until the daughter of king Ferdinand is of age to be married to the duke of Orleans.

I have heard also, from a Spaniard, that peace is made between Ferdinand and the Vayvode, and a league to resist the Turks. London, 8 Aug.

Hol. Lat., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Aug. R. O. **52.** [Norfolk to Suffolk.]

"This present hour, having slain a buck with my hounds," I heard one of the raisers of the bruit of marking of cattle was of likelihood "a gentleman wearing a green coat with 2 small gards of green velvet," with a beard more red than yellow, and a horn about his neck; with him in a tawny coat was one like his servant, with a short black beard, "and a broad square fellow." The gentleman rode a fair white gelding. A mile from Mawdelyn Bridges the gentleman asked for Humphry Kervyle, town clerk of Len. He said he was the King's servant, and had commission to take up all cattle that were not marked. He then rode over the bridge to Tyryngton and the Washside, and, it is said, into Lincolnshire. This was the week after Midsummer, when you and I were at London. I will do my best to try this matter out, as I am sure you will do in your parts. This morning I answered your letter by your servant who brought it. Written upon a molehill in Rysyng Chase, 8 Aug., 11 o'clock.

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8 Aug. R. O. **53.** Thomas Barnaby.

Depositions of John Fyrly, master of the crayer, *the Berborow*, of Colchester, and his mariners, before the mayor and jurats of Rye.

On Tuesday 6 August one Thomas Bernaby came to the town of Depe and caused Fyrly to "ryve" his crayer with three boats out of the haven there, and so continued at sea till Thursday 8 Aug., when they landed at Rye about 4 p.m., by reason of such calm weather. Sealed, 8 Aug. 30 Henry VIII.

P. 1. *Parchment. In the hand of Mayor Swan. Add. Endd.:* Certificat of Barnabey's diligence. *Seal gone.*

8 Aug. R. O. **54.** Elizabeth Wallop to Lady Lisle.

Is glad to hear that she and lord Lisle are in good health. Thanks her for divers tokens which she has received. Has often wished for her in Hampshire since her coming. If she were there, would like it better than she does. Likes it but easily, and will tell her why when they meet, which she trusts will be when they have a new mistress. Hopes this will be shortly, that she may see lady Lisle at Court, for she will have good occasion to see her two daughters, who are meet to be with the Queen. Has not seen Mrs. Katharyne since leaving Court, "but Mrs. [Anne]* I have seen divers times." She is a fair gentlewoman and well made, and behaves herself so well that everybody praises her. There is no doubt she will come to some great marriage. Lord and lady Sussex make not a little of her. Lady Sussex said she would do as much for her as her own sister. It would have been great pity if she had miscarried now, when she was in great danger of life. Divers who saw her thought they would never see her again, but now it is well overcome. Asks pardon for Bell,† who has offended lord Lisle by words spoken when in drink. Desires to be commended to lord Lisle, to lady Garnish, lady Clynton, and Mrs. Frances. "I pray God send them much joy of their marriage." Farle, 8 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Endd.*

* Name omitted.

† Ric. Bell, as appears by letters of Sir Antony Windsor later on.

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8 Aug. **55.** Bp. of Ivrea to [Card. Farnese].

Vatican MS. "Rmo et Illmo Sor mio ossmo," I wrote to you on the 5th. Since then I have made diligence to speak with His Majesty to learn the truth of the matter of which Briant boasted. This morning I visited the Card. di Maschon and told him the commission I had from you of the expedition of his bishopric of Amyans, &c. I then mentioned that Briant had boasted of a certain interview between his King and this [King], and that all would be without the intervention and pleasure (*volunta*) of our Lord (the Pope), and although I could not believe anything base of this King in prejudice of the honour of his Holiness and the See Apostolic, yet it was my duty to be suspicious and clear up everything, and as I had not been able to speak wit h His Majesty, who had been continually travelling, I asked his assistance. He answered that he had not yet been to Court, but would go thither tomorrow, and would endeavour to get me audience next day, assuring me that His Majesty, who is most satisfied with the Pope, would declare all, and that he himself did not believe it, seeing that Briant before leaving had told a friend in this Court that hitherto he had been a good Frenchman, but now he was going away determined to stand by his master for good or ill, from which he would infer that it was mere brag on his part, and no real determination had been come to about an interview. Maschon appears, as far as I can judge from this first interview, very affectionate to the Pope and See Apostolic, and promises to do all he can with satisfaction to his King, to whom he is very devoted.

The man I sent to the Constable has just returned with the Constable's message that Briant has lied, and that there is nothing. * * * Molins, 8 Aug. 1538.

Italian, pp. 2. *Endd.:* Nuncio in France. *From a modern copy in R.O.*

9 Aug. **56.** Friars of Stafford.

R. O. "Mem. This 9 day of August in the 30 year of our most dred Sovereign lord king Henry VIII., Richard bp. of Dover, Visitor under the lord Privy Seal for the King's grace, was in Stafford in the Grey Friars and also in the Austen Friars, where that the said visitor said to the heads and brethren of both places these words:—"Brethren, where that I understand ye have had information that I should come, by the King's commission, to suppress your house and put you out, fear not, for I have no such commission, nor I use no such fashion in any place. I am sent to reform every man to a good order and to give injunctions for preservation of the same. If ye can be content and think yourself able here to live and to be reformed and to observe such reasonable injunctions as I shall leave with you, the which or that I require your answer, ye shall here and see in writing, then I am and shall be content that ye shall with the King's favour continue as before ye have do. If that ye be not able to live and observe the same, then if ye of your own minds and wills give your houses into the King's hands, I must receive them."

"The said injunctions were read to them, which were reasonable. The said heads with all the brethren with one assent, without any counsel or coaction, gave their houses into the Visitor's hands to the King's use. The Visitor received the same, and of the houses and implements made inventories and delivered them to such as should keep them to the King's use, and so delivered to each friar a letter to visit his friends, and so departed. This witnesseth John Savage and Thos. Russell, bailiffs of the borough of Stafford, Wm. Stamforde and Ric. Warde, gentlemen, with divers others."

Signed by the above named.

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56. FRIARS OF STAFFORD—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Inventory of the goods of the Austin Friars of Stafford, delivered to Master Wm. Stamforde of Rowlay and Mr. Ric. Warde of Tylynton.

The Vestry.—A cross of copper gilt, with an image, silver and parcel gilt, a copper censer. 4 suits, one black for requiem, and one with images of Our Lady. 2 green copes and one black chamlet, &c.

The Choir.—2 old altar-cloths, 2 small candlesticks, a sacring bell, a pair of organs, 2 bells in the steeple.

The Church.—2 stained cloths, an alabaster table, 2 ladders, and 2 forms.

The Hall.—A goodly plank with a form.

The Kitchen.—A few cooking utensils, &c.

The Recreation House.—A table, 2 trestles, 2 forms.

The visitor has the chalice, 13 oz. He has appointed that the cooks shall be paid 10*s.* of their wages at Michaelmas.

Signed in the same hand: Wyllyam Stamforde: Rycharde Ward.

Pp 2. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* No lead, rents by year, 51*s.* 8*d.*

R. O. 3. Inventory of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Stafford, delivered, with the house, to Thos. Russell and John Sawage, bailiffs of Stafford.

The Sextry.—5 suits without albs, requiem, dun silk, yellow say, and branched green silk. 6 copes, 2 being of linen cloth stained with image work. 6 altar cloths, a pyx of laten, &c.

The Church.—4 tables of alabaster, a pair of great candlesticks, a cross and censer of latten, 2 poor mass books, one printed, one written, a pair of small organs, &c.

The Buttery.—2 tablecloths and a towel, 5 "stondes" and a great bason.

The Kitchen.—Pots, platters, "cobyryns," &c.

The Brewhouse.—A great lead, 2 small leads, 2 vats, &c.

The visitor has a chalice and 6 spoons, 16 oz. Kemp has half a mead, the warden the other half, at 20*s.* a year, which Robt. Quytgrave, gentleman, says his friends gave for a yearly obit. This not kept, he asks for it back. "They have in the field, 6 londs yearly worth 16*d.* A close with the orchard, 5*s.* The prior of Shene asks 2*s.* 8*d.* a year, but his council discharges it. Debts 4*l.*, for which timber and growing corn have been sold.

Signed: John Savage: Thomas Russell.

Pp. 2. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* Half the choir leaded, and a chapel. Rents 26*s.* 8*d.*

9 Aug. **57.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks for Cromwell's letters to Candishe and to himself. Perceives the King has heard of the bruit in Norfolk and Suffolk of the "taking to his Majesty's use of all beasts unmarked," and that Cromwell writes:—"Your Grace knoweth how the spreading of such a bruit in your own country and in your absence from hence might by some suspicious disposition be sinisterly glosed and interpreted." The bruit was in those parts at Midsummer when, and long after, he was at the Court. Never heard of it till Sunday last, when he asked Sir Roger Townesende, his cousin, Wyndham,* the sheriff, and others, what they had done, and they said the words were so universal they could not find the authors. Then and since he has daily found fault with the gentlemen for not trying out the matter. Incontinent on Sunday he sent out servants to learn this matter, and soon after, received a letter from the duke of Suffolk, who had taken one in Lincolnshire, who heard the bruits from two men near Walsingham. Sent the sheriff to take them, and they should now be at Kenyngale. Answered the duke of Suffolk's letter at 6 this morning; "and being on hunting," learnt of likelihood who were the

* Edmund Wyndham.

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beginners of the matter, and incontinently sent the duke of Suffolk a letter, copy enclosed. That is the whole truth. Begs him to show the King of it.

Learnt this day that 24 shoemakers, journeymen, assembled at Wisbiche on Friday was sevennight, and that one Balam, hearing that "Captain Cobler's brother late put t'execution was chief of them," next day put eight of them in the castle there. The saying is, they "would have made a confederation amongst their craft how much money they should have had for sewing a dozen shoes." Will inquire further and proceed to punishment.

After writing the "premises" 10 miles "hence," deferred closing this letter till he spoke with Mr. Conysby about the matter of the cattle; but Conysby had not been able to find the authors. Will in three days send to Cromwell Ant. Rous, treasurer of his house. Understands by his secretary, that Cromwell sent one of the King's servants to him about the bruits. No such has come.

Is daily called upon for the enlargement of the restraint of corn. Said Cromwell had promised to send it; begs it may come with diligence. No man is more angry with the seditious bruits than he; had he been at home he would have found the beginners. From Mr. Durham's house, 9 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 Aug. **58.** Myles Coverdale, Ric. Grafton, and Wm. Grey, to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. I. 573.

Sends certain leaves of their work, by Cromwell's servant Sebastian. Will send the rest from time to time.

Explains the marks* used to show different readings, words supplied, &c. Paris, 9 Aug. 1538. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 Aug. **59.** Bonner to Henry VIII.

Petyt MSS. vol. 47, f. 1. Inner Temple.

Took leave of the Emperor on the 24th and of Mons. Grandvell on the 28th, as his friend, Dr. Heynes, "a man of all honest good parts and truth," will inform the King. Heynes and he departed from Barcelona on the 29th, taking for lack of post horses such as they could find to convey them to the next post, called La Rocca, where horses were as plentiful as at Barcelona they were scarce, because of the Emperor's departure towards Valle de Olete (Valladolid) on the morrow after St. James's Day. The King had given them liberty on their return "to make the journey after a convenient sort," to avoid danger from the great heats; but on meeting Francisco at Lupia, two posts from Montpellier, on the 2nd inst., and receiving the letters of the King and the lord Privy Seal, they made "more speed a great deal, receiving for that purpose the letters of the bishop of Winchester and Mr. Dr. Thirlebye." Arrived at Lyons on the 6th, but Winchester and Thirlebie left the same day, lodging that night at Barella, one post from Lyons, where Bonner overtook them the next morning, leaving Heynes behind (whom he afterwards met at Roane, where Bonner stayed buying new raiment, having left most of his own and of his servants' at Barcelona).

Told the Bishop he did not wish to be blamed for tarrying. Overtakes them tomorrow night, by appointment. Is much beholden to Thirlebie. The bearer [Dr. Heynes] deserves the King's thanks, for the Emperor, contrary to use, gave him no reward at his departure; but if he had been as studious to please the Emperor as he was to serve the King and "advance

* These marks are printed in the letter.

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the truth, he had not wanted. Pains of body he hath sustained above my opinion; and besides that he hath not wanted the evil report of naughty fellows naming him Lutheran, wherein for company I was joined, such was their goodness. By my truth, I have not been acquainted with a more honest true man, and sorry I am now to leave his company, saving that I know well he hath been troubled upon the sea, upon the land and among unhonest folks." Does not answer the King's letters, for tomorrow "we shall send for audience," after which they will advertise the King of as much as they can learn. "Roane,* 4 posts athissides Lyons," 9 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

9 Aug. **60.** BONNER to CROMWELL.

Petyt MSS. Vol. 47, f. 3. Inner Temple.

On the 2nd inst. Francisco the courier met him and Dr. Heynes returning from Spain, at Lupia, two posts from Montpelier. He delivered to Bonner Cromwell's letter and five letters of the King, viz., one to the French king, one to the cardinal of Loreyne, one to the Great Master, one to the Chancellor, and copies thereof, and one to Bonner. Will act according to the King's pleasure. Were he fit for such a function as is mentioned in the letters, would "greatly rejoice that, upon your Lordship's special commendation and futherance, it hath liked the King's highness to trust such a poor wretch with such a high office as it hath done; but, knowing mine imperfection in all degrees, and considering the weight of such a charge, I ought rather to lament my felicity in this degree not able to answer unto it, than to rejoice in the highness of the same, being like rather to do as a weak, feeble horse doth, which, being charged with a great burden many times, doth more often fall under it than bear it well. The comfort I have herein, especially to avoid notable blame, is, first and principal, the goodness of the King's highness, whose nature is of that most good and gentle sort, that it more pondereth the true good will and ready diligence of his servant to do well than the issue and chance of things which are committed in charge; and the second is the like goodness" of Cromwell, by whose "fatherly, grave, and wise friendly counsel," Bonner may rule his proceedings to the King's contentation. Will omit nothing to satisfy Cromwell's expectation, who knows his nature far better than he does himself.

Cannot now write what good expedition shall be had touching the King's letters, "as tomorrow is appointed that we shall send for audience," which obtained, he will speedily signify its success. The French king lies three leagues from Molyns. Finds much kindness in Mr. Thirlebye. What he shall find in his colleague,† cannot yet tell: "peradventure the ending will be better than the beginning, for else it will be but of small value." Cromwell has written in favour of Mr. Hervie, desiring Bonner to accept him as Thirlebye had him. Will do his pleasure as gladly "as any servant your Lordship hath." "It becometh me not to be desired, but to do that thing that shall be your Lordship's pleasure, which I will do with all the heart of my body. And surely this young gentleman is to be made of, for he is of a good nature and will come to good prove with institution; and surely I shall make of him to his profit, I trust; and likewise of one William Hunnyng," whom Mr. Wrisley commended to him. Commends Dr. Heynes, the bearer. He has deserved the King's hearty thanks, because he "by his upright dealing herein and professing the truth, neither gate thanks nor reward, but blased abroad by honest folks to be a Lutherian. The less he pleased in Spain the better argument it is that his intent was to serve none but the King's highness and the truth." Begs credence for him in an important matter. Roane, 9 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Roanne, in the Lyonnais, Department of Rhone et Loire.

† The bp. of Winchester.

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10 Aug. **61.** BLACK FRIARS, NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYNE.

R. O. Certificate of the surrender of the [Black] Friars of Newcastle-under-Lyne to the bishop of Dover, in consequence of their poverty. The house is in debt 14*l.* for which all their substance lies in pledge, and yet not worth the debt. 10 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

Signed: Raffe Kelynge, mayer off New Castell under Lyne. — John Lymforde—Thos. Brodsha—Ryc. Smyth.

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R. O. 2. Inventory of the stuff of the Black Friars of Newcastle-under-Lyne, delivered to John Lymforde and Ric. Smyth, bailiffs.

The Vestry.—Suits of blue silk, silk with roses and green silk. 11 chasubles. Five copes. Two old "tenaculles," &c. *The Choir.*—Two pair of candlesticks, copper and latten. A cross of copper and gilt, and Mary and John. A pair of organs. Two bells in the steeple. A table of alabaster on the high altar, &c. *The Chambers.*—Two old feather beds and one old bolster. Five old coverlets. An old chest. A green covering of say. Various articles in the kitchen, brewhouse, hall, and buttery.

Three chests with evidence, one of the King's, the other of other gentlemen's, the third of the convent's, are in the hands of the bailiffs. The visitor has a little chalice, five spoons, and two narrow bands of masers, 14 oz.

Signed: By me, Rychard Smyth and John Lymford.

Pp. 2. *Endd. by the bp of Dover:* The choir and cloister lead, rents 40*s.* by year.

10 Aug. **62.** RUMORS OF PILGRIMAGES.

R. O. Examinations of Walter Williams of Salisbury, fletcher, Ric. Hussey, chaplain, Thos. Selman, singing man, and Philip Godfray, tailor, taken at Salisbury 10 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., before Hen. Coldston, mayor, John Hawles, Robt. South, Wm. Webbe, Thos. Chaffyn, and David Lewes.

The matter examined was a report that an angel appeared to the King, then at Portsmouth, and bade him go on pilgrimage to St. Michael's Mount and offer a noble there upon pain of death, and according to Jane Delond *alias* Baker, widow, that queen Jane did appear to him and desired him to go on the same pilgrimage. The report being traced to Godfray, he says he heard it of John Higgons of Durneford; and Delond says she heard Higgons, John Hobbes, John Feld *alias* Guylford, Wm. Ryle, and John Wilton talking together about it, but all these deny hearing any words about the King.

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R. O. 2. Depositions taken at Salisbury, viz.:—

1. Of John Clarke of Downton, painter, confessing that he had said on the 9th Aug. to Jane, wife of John Ryppe of Sarum, labourer, that he had heard say the King was at Portsmouth, "and an angel should appear to him that he should go to St. Michael's Mount on pilgrimage," but he bade her not repeat it as he did not believe it.

2. Of John Ryppe, denying that he heard the words, though Clarke lodged in his house.

3. Of John Hawkes, of Sarum, smith, that about 24 July last Isabel Nowell of Sarum, widow, came to his house to fetch fire, and said "God save the King! I trust we shall go a pilgrimage again; for I hear say that his Grace will go a pilgrimage to St. Michael's Mount." This Hawkes repeated to Clarke, 6 Aug.

4. Of Isabel Nowell, widow, confirming the above report of what she said about 24 July, with the addition "and that an angel did appear to his Grace for the same." Further, she said she had been told it that day by Agnes, wife of John Chacy, who said that the King had bowed a noble to offer at St. Michael's Mount.

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10 Aug. **63.** The BORDERS.

Calig. B. VII., 241. B. M.

Proclamation of the result of a meeting at the Bating Bush within the Debateable ground, on Saturday, 10 Aug. 1538, between Rob. lord Maxwell, warden of the West March of Scotland, and Sir Thomas Wharton, deputy warden of the West March of England, for redress of attemptates by the inhabitants of Leddersdale in taking prisoners the following English subjects, viz., Ric. and Gilbert Carnaby, Gilb. Barro, Edw. Hendersoune, Jas. Thomsone, Paul Tomsone, Ric. Parker, John Maysone, Alex. Cheseburghe, Cristy Dobinsone, Edw. Trumbull, John Cragge, Hen. Mawghwen, Willy Hendersoune, Nich. Bastinthwaite, Roger Crag, John Howdenne, Edw. Howdenne, Geo. Hendersone, John Ferlem, John Hill, Cristy Grenne, Jas. Smerte, and others, whom the said lord Maxwell sets at liberty with their "borowes" and goods and forbids anyone by any bands or promises to "enter" any of the said Englishmen. All English prisoners in Scotland not yet delivered to be set free in England with their horses and gear in four days; and if any of the horse and gear be not restored the said Englishmen may bill for them at the next meeting at Kirksopfote, those bills to be first answered to. "And where Archebolde Armstrang, Sym Forster of Greno [and] Andro Forster of Greno borowed Gilbert Carnabie for Alexander Armstrong, the said Gilbert Carnaby this day in the presence of the Warden has entered to his borowes, and the said borowes for their discharge hath entered the said Gilbert to the said Alexander Armestrang his taker; and the said warden of Scotland has delivered the said Gilbert free the said day."

Pp. 2. *Headed:* Copy of a proclamation made at the Bating Bush.

Ib. f. 242.

ii. "Copy of Sir Thomas Wharton's letters sent to the Council at York." Dated Kirkbythure, 16 Aug. [*See* No. 116.]

In the same hand with the preceding, pp. 2. [N.B.—The title, in each case, is in a different hand from the text.]

Endd.: "Copies of letters of the North and proclamations sent from the Council there to my L.P.S. the xxijth of August A° 1538."

10 Aug. **64.** GEO. [BROWN] ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN to CROMWELL.

Lamb. MS. 602, f. 113. St. P. III. 65.

"According to a letter directed unto your Lordship, at the motion of the Chief Justice and Master of the Rolls, and as they say it is your Lordship's commandment, I have disposed myself towards the bishop of Meath." I have sent you such articles as he devised, and such as I intended to lay against him had the matter proceeded. I have written how I had suspended the "fine" of controversy betwixt the Observants and the other named "De communi vita," until my authority were sent over; howbeit my lord Deputy, in that, prevented me in Galway, still favouring the Observants. After the return of my chaplain from you, came over one Baker, an old servant of the Deputy, who keeps the Three Tonnes tavern in New Gate market, and reported that my chaplain told your Lordship, on being asked who were the Deputy's chief counsellors, that they were Stephen Appary, Marg. Bathe, and Ric. Lute; also that he told Baker other things at Chester. My chaplain never spake with him in England or Wales and was over three weeks before him; yet he (my chaplain) was sent prisoner to the Castle. Dublin, 10 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *A fuller abstract is in the Carew Calendar, p.* 148.

Titus B. XI. f 431. B. M. St. P. III. 66.

2. Enclosure in the above.

"Hereafter followeth such articles as the abp. of Dublin doth minister, whereupon he would the witness that shall be producted by the bishop of Mithe should be interrogated."

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1. Whether the bishop of Meath in his sermon made the 2nd Sunday in Lent, at St. Owen's* did say (words quoted), Beware of seditions and false preachers who move questions of Scripture, for they that move questions of Scripture preach now this way and now that and be inconstant? 2. Whether the Archbishop did inveigh against the Bishop's sermon, and proved it lawful to move questions, at Christchurch, the 4th Sunday in Lent, in presence of the Commissioners? 3. Whether the bishop, at Kilmainham, after his sermon on Palm Sunday, produced a letter which he said his servants had sent him? And whether the contents were untrue and contemptuous against the Archbishop? 4. How the Bishop passed over this text *Quem dicunt homines esse filium hominis, &c.*, as nothing to the purpose? 5. Whether the Bishop sent a letter to Umfrey promising to prove the Archbishop a heretic? 6. Whether the bishop of Rome's pardons did, on Palm Sunday, hang in the church of Kilmainham? 7. Whether the Bishop said "Good people, give no credence to him, believe him not; for I tell you, if ye will, in faith, I will not?"

ii. Articles ministered by the bishop of Meath.

1. That the witnesses chosen should say on oath, whether they were at Kilmainham on Palm Sunday or not. 2. Whether they heard him, in his sermon touch the King's supremacy. 3. Whether he spake anything of the bishop of Rome. 4. Whether he, in the pulpit, did call the archbishop of Dublin heretic. "I beseech your good Lordship weigh and ponder my letter unto your Lordship before-time written of the very matter, and now consider also how this matter is handled."

In the hand of Abp. Brown's clerk.

10 Aug. **65.** Thomas Alen to Wriothesley.

R. O. Protestations of service. The Master of the Rolls, now with the Deputy at Maynooth, would have written since his arrival, but defers till the coming of the lord Treasurer, who is expected here by my Lord, his father, and the rest of the Council, but is detained by attacks from Desmond and Okarvaile. Trusts Mr. Treasurer, Mr. Justice, and the Master of the Rolls, will pacify the dissension between the Deputy and Ormond and his son. If not they were better absent. The treasurer, justice, and master "hath practised with themselves after such sort that the country was not in better quiet and stay this many years." Dublin, 10 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.: Endd.*

10 Aug. **66.** Same to Seyntleger.

R. O. Thanks for favour of which he heard from the Master of the Rolls. Would like to see him again in Ireland. (*Proceeds as in his letter to Wriothesley.*)

The lord Chancellor is dead and his seal brought to Kilmaynham, and, according to custom, delivered to the custody of the Master of the Rolls. If the King will have the Master of the Rolls to be Chancellor, the fee is far too little to maintain the room. Marvels that Mr. Cusacke, considering for what purpose he went thither, has not only written to his friends here for the Deputy's favour promising to move nothing against him, but also at Chester procured Mr. Pawlett to write to the Deputy "that he handled Mr. Cusacke after such sort that he should do no hurt against him," and desired his Lordship to be his good lord. The Deputy showed the letter to the Master of the Rolls. Dublin, 10 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the Right worshipful, &c., Master Seyntleger. *Endd.*

10 Aug. **67.** Same to Robt. Cowley.

R. O. Is sure the Master of the Rolls, had he been here, would have written
St. P. III. 67 the news. Ormond came hither on Saturday last, with whom Mr. Treasurer,

* St. Audoen's or Owen's, Dublin.

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67. Same to Robt. Cowley—*cont.*

the Chief Justice and Master of the Rolls had communication at large. They and the rest of the Council are "disperbled" until the Lord Treasurer's coming who is delayed by attacks of James of Desmond and Fergonamy Ykarvaile (advanced by this last journey). The lord Trymlettiston is dead, and the Deputy and Council have signed the customary warrant (copy enclosed) for the custody of his seal by the Master of the Rolls. If the King make him Chancellor, I know you shall be Master of the Rolls; and you know the fee of the chancellorship is very small; therefore provide that the fee be amended (if your friend the Master of the Rolls get it), and get a bill signed for Casey to be serjeant-at-arms attendant at 5 marks. The King's serjeant cannot well attend both Deputy and Chancellor. The King's seal, after being four years a prisoner, is now used in the Council Chamber and not in "cornells alone" as it has been. The Treasurer, Mr. Justice and the Master of the Rolls have put the country in good quiet. God knows what losses the Englishry have sustained since you departed. The Deputy's journey. His dissension with Ormond. Commendations to Wriothesley and Sentleger. Dublin, 10 Aug.

Hol. pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

10 Aug. **68.** Edmund McHugh McEdmund O'Reilly.

Lamb. 603. f. 86. Indenture, 10 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., between the King and Edmund McHe McEdmund O'Reyly, chief captain of Clonkeyle, binding him to pay the King 20*d.* Irish out of each of his 16 ploughlands in Clonkeyle.

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10 Aug. **69.** Thibault Rouault (Sieur de Riou) to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have written a letter to the Deputy (*a Mons. le Debitis*) and another to Mons. de Broubz. I beg you will let me have an answer and I will pay the messenger. You can see the letters. I am endeavouring to get a goshawk for you, and I think by the end of this month you will have news of me. Dourrier, 10 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr. p. 1. *Add.:* Mons de Lisles, debitis de Calais.

10 Aug. **70.** Jenne de Saveuzes (Madame de Riou) to Lady Lisle.

R. O. As Monseigneur de Riou has sent the bearer to England, I would not let him go without writing this, to ask you to send me news of you by him, both of yourself and of Mademoisalle *ma bonne commere.* Dourrier, 10 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr. p. 1. *Add.*

10 Aug. **71.** Queen Mary of Hungary to Charles V.

Lanz. II. 289. 10 Aug. 1538.—Expresses great concern on hearing of his determination to risk his person and his realms in making an enterprise against the Turk. Touching the matter of England, will be guided by what the Emperor has written; but cannot say more until the arrival of Don Diego, from whom she expects to learn how it stands. For the affair of Ghent, refers to her other letter.

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11 Aug. **72.** [Sir] Ric. Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O. Conyngsby confesses that he had nothing to say to Cromwell or Wrythesley, but only wanted to put off time that he might obtain pardon. The 400*l.* he wrote of is a debt of the old bp. of Lincoln to some of his old friends, which is now in the hands of the present bishop, owing to the

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renunciation of the late bishop's executors. "This is the 400*l.* that he will give to the King's highness for to have his pardon, which is worth nothing. So I have put him to execution and God pardon him." Has received the proclamation from the Chancellor and it is proclaimed in the city and Lombert Street. The city is ill provided with harness, none having more than one harness apiece. Has devised an act that all the occupations in the city should have certain harness and weapons, every man according to his degree, viz., aldermen, 20 harness and halberds; sheriffs, 10; wardens of occupations, 4; persons in the livery, 2; householders, 1. Harness and weapons to be provided by a certain day on pain of 40*s.* The wardens to hold a yearly inspection with power to fine 20*s.*

Reminds Cromwell of the King's letters to Monockes and for the hospitals for the poor in London; also for the bishop's lands in Norfolk for himself (Mr. Wriothesley has the book). Wants leave from the King for himself and six aldermen and the sheriffs to see the Prince Edward. His servant will give Cromwell two warrants for the mayor, aldermen, and sheriffs for as many bucks as the King pleases in Enfield Chase and Waltham Forest. Asks for a letter to Havering for a buck "if we have licence to go thither."

Asks Cromwell to speak to the Recorder of Dublin on behalf of the London merchants who are so ill treated there. London, 11 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[11 Aug.] R. O. **73.** Sir Thomas Cheyne to Sir Nicholas Carew, Master of the Horse.

The King received letters yesterday from the Emperor and the French king, but what they contain I hear not. The French ambassador told me the one can demand nothing of the other but he shall have it, and that there is no woman in France but she shall be at the King's commandment if he will have her, "and how they care not and he marry in Spain." I am sorry for your hurt, I miss your company, and trust you will be here shortly. But I will be gone by Dover before you come. Mr. Bryan will be here today or tomorrow, when I will write to you. "I trust my Lady's stomak contynew styll in goodnes." Portsmouth, Sunday next after St. Lawrence.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

11 Aug. R. O. **74.** John Tregonwell to Cromwell.

Received on the 9th his letters dated Cowdrey, the 8th, stating that the King has appointed his house to be given to Sir Ric. Page in exchange for Molsey, from which he wishes Page to move at once, and he therefore desires Tregonwell to leave the farm that Page may enter it. Has been offered 100*l.* or 20 nobles a year for the lease, and has spent 120*l.* in necessaries for husbandry, hedging, marking the ground, &c., 40*l.* thereof being paid to the King at the suppression of the house.* There are 140 acres of corn on the ground, and his hay and wood is already housed. Does not know where to go to. Asks Cromwell to help him. St. Gyles,* 11 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

11 Aug. R.O. **75.** Henry Broke to Cromwell.

On the 10 August the prior and convent of the friars' house of Newcastle-under-Lyne freely surrendered it to the King's commissioner, the bp. of Dover. I have certain lands near adjoining in right of my wife and took three leases of the said prior and convent, two of which are dated 9 May,

* The nunnery of St. Giles' in the Wood, Flamstead, Herts.

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and the other 3 July last, of some of their buildings and other grounds at a rent of 22*s.* 8*d.* I have spoken to the said bp. to confirm my lease with the house and gardens worth 7*s.* or 8*s.* a year; but he said he had no power and I beg you to help me. I will give you 30*l.* to get me the King's gift of it and all the goods now left, the lead upon the high chancel and part of the cloister and two bells, glass, stone, and iron in the windows and about the said church, to pay 15*l.* for their debt, which, the bp. says all their goods will not pay. The bearer Ric. Spencer, my servant, will wait on your Lordship to know your pleasure. At Wrymbyll in Staffordshire, 11 August.

Hears that one Bothe, of London, and John Smith, of the Guard, will make suit for it.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell of Wymlenton, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Aug. R. O. **76.** John Rokkewood to Cromwell.

Received his letter by Henry Lacy. Denies that he has had any convention concerning Lacy's causes with Thos. Fowler or any one else. Has showed Lacy more favour than his conscience might well bear. "The lawe at Marke" has answered Cromwell concerning the poor folk, Tichet, Rye Smithe, Kelderman, and Sorrett. It is those of the said lawe who settle the cessement by virtue of their charter. Calais, 11 Aug. 1538. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Aug. Kaulek, 80. **77.** Castillon to Francis I.

Chelsea, 12 Aug.:—On Friday last, 9th inst., received his letters dated Villefranche, 1 Aug. Had the day before communicated to the king of England those of 28 July from Vienne. Knew from M. de Lassigny and from the letters of 28 July, Francis' intention; and followed it in his last communication as if he had already received the letters Francis now writes. Begs pardon for having believed what was told him here; it is against his nature, for he was determined never to believe lightly the words of this country; but they were said with such assurance and he had heard nothing from Francis. Will not repeat it. They still continue to hold the same language.

In my last negociation, which was in accordance with your letters of 28 July, to keep him in his good will without seeking (*rechercher*) him, I brought him to his senses a little; for after hearing by Lassigny the certainty of the amity between you and the Emperor he was not well at ease; and liked still less the going of Lassigny to Scotland insomuch that posts ran on all sides as we wrote on the 3rd inst. I assured him, however, that notwithstanding this great amity he would find you as cordial towards him as you had been in the past, and if he had need of anything in your kingdom he should have it, "Well," said he "does he (Francis) send me nothing of the marriages?" Replied as before that you did not think it honourable to bring the ladies to Calais, but that he should send some trustworthy personages to report. "By God!" said he "I trust no one but myself. The thing touches me too near. I wish to see them and know them some time before deciding." I replied, half laughing, "Ne vouldriez vous point, Sire, encores monter sur toutes l'une apres l'autre et apres retenir pour vostre personne celle qui yroit le plus doulx? Les Chevaliers de la Table Ronde traictoient-ilz point ainsi du temps passé les dames en ce pays?" I think this shamed him, for he laughed and blushed at the same time, and recognised then that the way he had taken was a little discourteous. After rubbing his nose a little he said "Yes; but since the King, my

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brother, has already so great an amity with the Emperor, what amity should I have with him? I ask because I am resolved not to marry unless the Emperor or the King my brother prefer my friendship to that which they have together." Replied it needed a wiser man than I to answer that. Did he think that if he married on the Emperor's side, the Emperor would prefer him to you? He said, "Yes, assuredly." I asked if I should tell you that. He said, "Yes; for it is true." Said I had not charge to answer such demands, and asked him to write to his ambassador with you. "By God!" said he, "I will not write until there is another ambassador there, called Dr. Boner. The others have deceived me and let themselves be seduced by Hoyet, with whom I am not pleased." (I think Winchester and Brian will have evil cheer; for he has complained to me of them before.) To show that you had not much need of him I answered that I would speak plainly, as of myself, and my opinion was that he should not seek you so closely. For ten years you would be in no need, and still you wished to remain his friend as before this truce and assurance of amity; and he should take your amity as it was. You were a great prince and a powerful, and the king of Scots obeyed you like a son, while the king of Denmark was devoted to you, and all three were his near neighbours; so that if there was a disturbance all would move. He had better buy your amity without looking at its particulars.

I went no further for lack of instructions; otherwise I would have pressed him to abolish the pension. Will reserve this till Francis think it expedient. Spoke thus to put out of the King's head this preference of amity and let him know that, without seeking for five feet on one sheep, your amity is more to him than his is to you. One must mingle the bitter with the sweet; for he never forgets his own greatness, and is silent about that of others.

He shook his head and said, "By God! I have good men and good entrenchments." But he thought of it; for afterwards he said that as you did not approve of the ladies coming to Calais they might go to such a place as that of Madame de Vendôsme, their grandmother, as near Calais as possible, while M. de Guise might come as on some business, and he would send personages to see them *réciproques* to M. de Guise; by whose report he would be guided. And this time he said nothing about preference of amity. I know not if he would imitate the king of Scots and go himself to seek his wife, as he says he will trust no one in it. He said twice or thrice that it should be as near Calais as possible, and moreover I scarcely know of reciprocals for M. de Guise in this country unless it be himself. Still this is only a guess. Anyway, if he do not change his mind, he will send some of the most eminent personages of his kingdom. Asks instructions. The ladies he means are Mesdemoiselles de Vendôsme, de Lorraine, and the two de Guise. He had heard something of the younger of the two last, and I think he will settle on one of them. He has a great opinion of their house.

Thanks for the mastership of waters and forests of Britany, which, the Constable writes, is given him.

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*** A modern transcript is in R.O.

12 Aug. **78.** CASTILLON to MONTMORENCY.

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Chelsea, 12 Aug.:—Begs pardon for being so dull as to believe what was told him here. Will forget nothing of his letter of the 2nd. Refers to his letter to the King for news of negociations. This King puts on such assurance* (and I think he is in a fine fright) that I had to put forward the thing he fears most in the world to show him that the King can hurt him as much as he can the King; for he always makes himself so great that often

* From this point to the end of the paragraph is in cipher in the original.

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78. Castillon to Montmorency—*cont.*

he esteems others but little, so that one can never have anything definite from him (*avoir rien nect avec luy*). Certes, he must buy our amity now instead of our having bought his, and must think more of the preservation of his kingdom than of receiving pensions from others. When you see fit to put this forward, I think I shall succeed." It is common to say "Let us remain quits and good friends." Still, I am of opinion that we should try to marry him since he has come so far as to be willing to go or send. If you are well assured of the Emperor,† he can no doubt be brought to reason. I assure you he is in a bad way (*qu' il n'en est pas bien*), and perhaps never kingdom was cheaper. I wonder the Pope† is not busy on his side. Now, at present this King is not on bad terms with you, yet there shall be no interview unless you wish it, the ladies shall not come to Calais, but he will go or send to see them, as in your last letter, and, moreover, there shall, if he marry, be no "preference," a malicious word to try and break the amity of Francis and the Emperor,* which scarcely pleases him.

Asks for frequent instructions. As this King says, "as near Calais as possible," and M. de Guise has lands near Amiens, I think he and Madame his wife should come with the company, and this would be a greater incentive to induce this King to go in person. Brian is not yet come; I will inform you of his arrival. As he could not say more than he has written, his coming can make no change.

Has been forced to leave the Court and come to live on credit near London. Begs for money. The want of it is both a shame and a disadvantage. Thanks for the mastership of waters and forests of Brittany.

P.S.—Send with speed the time and place where the above-written "assembly" shall be made; for this King waits to know it.

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*** A modern transcript of the part not in cipher is in R.O.

12 Aug. **79.** Thomas Legh, LL.D., to Cromwell.

R. O. The visitor of the friars has dispatched the friars at Lechefeilde and put the house in custody of Richard Wetwoode and the constables of the town. Of his own accord and also at the instance of the bp. of Chester (to both of whom Wetwoode has formerly shown great pleasure), desires Cromwell to favour the said Richard for the preferment of that house. London, 12 August.

This day I was "appurpoysed" to have been with the ambassadors at the forest of Waltham, but as I was prevented by sickness they did not come there, but sent for some flesh, and they were well contented with the same. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Aug. **80.** W. Earl of Southampton to Cromwell.

R. O. In favour of the mayor and his brother and other commons of Chichester who have suits to Cromwell. They are the writer's neighbours and honest men. Guildford, 12 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* These names apparently represent symbols which have been interpreted by Kaulek merely by internal evidence, and are queried by him.

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12 Aug. **81.** JOHN SWAN, Mayor of Rye, to CROMWELL.

R. O. On 11 Aug. Robt. Coke of Rye, "scherman," seized 9 packs of wool, say and cotton, of one William Sonnyngs, born in England, and dwelling in Rone, which were shipped and "not customed." The mayor has Sonnyngs and his packs in custody till he knows Cromwell's pleasure. Rye, 12 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Aug. **82.** RIC. ANDROYS to CROMWELL.

R. O. I was at the surveying of your manor of Stanlak in Oxfordshire. It was said that Mr. More of Oxfordshire had bought all your wood in the parish of Cokthrop, parcel of the said manor, so that nothing would remain for your houses in Broughton, Fylkyns, and Stanlak, but only Churrold grove. Spoke with Mr. More on Tuesday last, who said he had bought it of my lord of Huntingdon's officers before your Lordship's bargain. Finds there is timber yet standing to keep up the houses for 100 years, and Mr. More will be reasonable. Concerning the receipts of your manors in Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Warwickshire, &c., I will do my best. Ernton, 12 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Aug. **83.** THE EARL OF ARUNDEL to CROMWELL.

R. O. I thank you for your manifold kindness. Your Lordship knows that, upon the breach of certain covenants of marriage between the late marquis of Dorset and me, my daughter* should have to her marriage 4,000 marks, in yearly payments of 300 mks. out of certain lordships in cos. Leic. and Warw. My lord Chancellor thereupon awarded an injunction to George Hynd, then bailiff and receiver of Lutterworth, Leic., to the lady marquis of Dorset, widow, to refrain from exercising those offices; and Richard Sackvile, appointed by my daughter as her deputy, being of late in those parts, appointed one Roger Elis as an officer to my daughter; but Hynd, for the lord Marquis, does not allow him to occupy his office. I beg you will write to the lord Chancellor for an injunction against the lord Marquis also. Downeley, 12 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Aug. **84.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have despatched this bearer, treasurer of my house, as by my former letters I signified I would do, to declare what has been done concerning the seditious bruit in this country, and what Balam, mentioned in my last letters, this day said to me touching the shoemakers lately apprehended at Wisbiche. He shall also speak of the cause of my daughter of Richmond. I beg you give him favourable audience. Kenyngale, 12 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

12 Aug. **85.** MARY [DUCHESS OF] RICHMOND to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanking him for his kindness in sueing the King for her cause, and begs its continuance now at the concluding thereof; also credence for Mr. Rowse, the bearer. Kenyngall, 12 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The duchess of Richemonde: *and in a later hand:* 1537.

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* Katharine Fitzalan. *See* a letter of hers signed "K. Arundell," dated 8 July apparently in the year 1539, which will be noticed under date.

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12 Aug. **86.** Ric. Vowel, Priest, to Cromwell.

R. O. Though Cromwell's labour for the translation of the late priory of Walsyngham into a college took not effect, yet the writer is obliged to him for it. Begs Cromwell's intercession with the King that he may obtain the parsonage of Walsyngham. Trusts he has always acted as a true subject and chaplain of the King: in remembrance thereof he had an annuity of 10*l.* which now (by reason of this suppression) he accounts void. Wishes this parsonage so that he may not be His Grace's chaplain in name only. The yearly value of all three churches "which were accounted but one in cure" does not exceed 30*l.* If in consideration of his age and impotency he might obtain this, he will be obliged to Cromwell. Hears, from the Commissioners, the King has assigned him a pension of 100*l.*; begs Cromwell to expedite the assurance of the same both for him and his brethren; "and for our dispensations also with capacity." 12 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[12 Aug.] **87.** Sir Clement West to Henry VIII.

Otho. C. ix. 133. B. M. "M[o]st exselent Prynce, and my good and g[racious] . . . . . considered, off yowr verlet, thys may . . . . . dute dysschargyng off soch as be her yn uce. [The Emperor] dyssendyd and went yn to Aguas Mortes, [and the French] kyng went yn to the galys off themperor, an[d] . . . . . wyth owght othyr wer long secret, and ther w . . . . . what was at Nys ys nat declaryd a lytyll be w . . . . . up on whych ys a semblyd a gret arme like C[Cl. seylles] whych be thys I suppozse be departyd. The Prynce Dory [hastes after] wyth many mo, whych wyth Venyssyans ys lyke [to be] . . seylles or mo, yn whych all togethyr be sydes mary[ners ys] lyke to xxx. m[l]. sowgers and yntendys to sum go[od enterprys].

"Barba rows wyth a C. x. seylles set men alond at [Candy] whych went to vylages and gardeyns, and good [Candyottes] scharply retornyd them, and so went towardes Lavaunt."

The captain of "a schyp Ragozsey," whose name is Maryn de Gosso, can show further about Barbarossa. Written in haste at Malta [12 Aug.]* 1538.

Hol. Mutilated, p 1. *Add.*

13 Aug. **88.** Friars of Shrewsbury.

R. O. 13 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., Ric. bishop. of Dover visited the places of friars at Shrewsbury, in presence of Edm. Cole and Adam a Mytton, bailiffs. The Grey Friars surrendered their house by one assent, without counsel or coaction. At the Austin Friars there was only a prior and two Irish friars, all utensils gone, not so much as a chalice to say mass. No man durst trust the prior to lend him anything. All in the house could not be appraised at 26*s.* 8*d.* There was no bedding, no meat, bread, nor drink. The visitor discharged the prior and assigned the friars to Ireland. To the Black Friars he gave certain injunctions, took their accounts and left them to keep good order. He left the Grey and the Austin houses with their appurtenances in the bailiff's hands. *Signed:* per me Edmund Coll—per me Adam Mytton.

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R. O. 2. Inventory of the Austin Friars at Shrewsbury, delivered to Cole and Mytton.

In the Vestry.—5 chasubles, silk with birds of gold, dornyxe, striped silk, and green with birds, the best appraised at 2*s.* 8*d.* A piece of an old cope, a vestment of blue silk, with alb and stole, 3*s.* A latten censer, 4*d.*, &c.

* *See* his letter to Cromwell of the 22nd August.

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In the Choir.—Altar cloths, 2 small latten candlesticks, 2*s.* A poor cross, 2*d.* 2 lamps, 20*d.* A holy water stoup, 4*d.* A proper little bell in the steeple, &c. A lectern of timber, &c.

In the Chapel.—A stained cloth before the altar, 2*d.* A table of alabaster, 2*s.*

In the Church.—5 poor altar cloths. A mass book. A sacring bell, 2*d.* 2 cruets, 1*d.*

In the Hall.—A table and forms, 6*d.*

In the Kitchen.—An iron chain, a little brass pot, a pewter platter, a little kettle, a gridiron, and spit.

No bedding nor linen, but a tablecloth.

In the Chambers.—Shingle, old stained cloths, a white tester, old hangings and a covering, an old coffer, a corporas and case. *Signed:* Per me Edmund Coll—per me Adam a Mytton.

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R. O. 3. Inventory of the Grey Friars in Shrewsbury, delivered to Cole and Mytton.

Two pair of candlesticks, a branch with four sockets and an old broken cross, all of latten. 3 altar cloths, 4 pillows, a table of alabaster for the high altar, a timber lectern, a brass lamp, a parclose of timber.

In the Lower Vestry and High Vestry.—A fair chest and an almery. 18 corporas cases. 2 "teneculles" motley with good "offeras" (orphreys) with vestment and cope of the same suit. 17 chasubles, one, white with swans, another, yellow velvet with a red lion. 2 boxes, with evidence, &c. An old pyx with a box, latten, a silver cross, and chalice in the visitor's hands, and other things.

The Kitchen.—Brass pots, pans, 7 platters, &c.

The Hall.—3 board cloths and other napery. 5 pewter pots and a salt. A latten candlestick.

The Chambers.—A table, 2 trestles, and a form. 2 featherbeds and 2 bolsters, a covering and 2 pillows.

Signed by Cole and Mytton.

Pp. 2. *Endd. by the bishop of Dover:* "Little lead, none rents, but 3 or 4 acres of land."

13 Aug. **89.** Sir Richard Ryche to Cromwell.

R. O. I have received your letters in favour of my friend Sir Nicholas Poyntz, and am right glad the King has granted his suit to purchase certain possessions of the late house of Kingswood. As the framing of his assurance requires circumspection, I defer it till my repair to London within three weeks. Loughton, in Essex, 13 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Chancellor of the Augmentations.

13 Aug. **90.** Mayor and his brethren of New Sarum to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends depositions of persons summoned on Saturday last, the 10th Aug., for speaking words against the King. Ask for instructions. Salisbury, 13 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

13 Aug. **91.** Thomas Bishop of Ely to Cromwell.

R. O. I have got eight more of the shoemakers apprehended,—in all, 14 persons. There are besides three in the town, not apprehended till I know your pleasure. Two are old, sick, and feeble, and have been in the town 30 years; the third is a boy who disclosed the matter. I have got one arrested at Lynn whom the officers would not deliver without special commands. They examined him there (examination enclosed). Three are yet untaken and where they be we know not,—Geo. Kelsey, Bernard Melton, and Father William. They have wives in the town. Somershame, 13 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Sealed. Endd.*

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91. THOMAS BISHOP OF ELY to CROMWELL—*cont.*'

ii. Confession of Edw. Clarke, cordwainer of Wisbech, taken before Will. Halle, mayor of King's Lynn, and John Gryndell, alderman, on Sunday before the Assumption of Our Lady, 30 Hen. VIII.

(1.) That one John who came out of the West Country came to him at the feast of St. James the Apostle, and induced him to come on Sunday following to Barton Marisse beside Wisbech where he met five or six persons who increased within an hour to 16. Among them were Harry Leveret, Geo. Kelsey, and Barnerd Melton. (2.) That Geo. Kelsey took a book out of his bosom and said they must all be sworn not to work for less than 18*d.* a dozen pair of shoes, where before they took but 15*d.*

Signed by the mayor and John Grendell (so spelt) and three others.

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13 Aug. **92.** RIC. BP. of DOVER to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. iv. 248. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries. 203.

Since writing from Gloucester, has taken into the King's hands two convents in Worcester, one in Bridgenorth, one in Atherston, and one in Lichfield, as he wrote by Cromwell's servant, Holt, from Lichfield. Since then has taken two in Stafford, one in Newcastle-under-Lyne, and two in Shrewsbury, leaving the Black Friars there standing, as he has no commission to suppress, but only to receive voluntary surrenders.

Has no leisure to write copies of the inventories, and his servants are sick and cannot take them; but in a week, when he has finished Wales, he trusts to bring them. Describes the houses in Stafford, Newcastle-under-Lyne (where one Broke has obtained leases for little money of most of the lands) and Shrewsbury (where in the Austin Friars were only the prior, who seemed in a frenzy, and two Irishmen whom the writer has sent to their own country). Rides to-day to Westchester and so into Wales. If any order be taken with Newcastle-under-Lyne, let John Bothe, the King's servant, a great builder there, have the slate and shingle and profit of the ground. Shrewsbury, 13 Aug. *Signed.*

P.S. in his own hand: Has no word from Cromwell since his letter from Petworth 28 July. Promises the friars warrants for their habits before Michaelmas and meanwhile gives them letters to visit their friends.

Pp. 2. *Add.* (*at f.* 256) *:* Lord Privy Seal.

14 Aug. **93.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

We had a fair passage and landed at 9 o'clock. Justyce deserves thanks. He refused Mr. Basset's money, and would receive none of us. At Dover they made us tarry till 5 o'clock for horses, and the mayor got us served with difficulty. The King continues his former "gestes." Mr. Basset desires your blessing and would be commended to his wife, his sisters, and friends. I forgot your spoon for my lord Privy Seal. Canterbury, 14 Aug.

Hol., p 1. *Add.*.

14 Aug. **94.** DR. JOHN LONDON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have sent to your servant at London, Mr. Thacker, such plate as appertained to the friars of Oxford, and have received a bill indented from him of the same, with the weight. When I have dispatched these friars with their capacities, and debts paid, your Lordship shall have an account of what remains. As yet we have not their capacities, and have to find them meat and drink. The residue abroad look for like demission; people see their manner of living to be monstrous and full of dissimulation, and few give them alms. Your Lordship would do well to reduce them to live like honest priests. Oxon, Vigilia Assumptionis Marie.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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14 Aug. **95.** CHARLES V. to LOPE HURTADO DE MENDOÇA.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 204. B. M.

Has received his letters of 16 and 17 July, and rejoices to hear of the good disposition of the Duchess his daughter, the arrival of the abp. of Santiago, and the delivery of the castle of Liorna, &c.

Spanish, pp. 2. *Headed:* Minute to Lope Hurtado from Valladolid, 14 Aug. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. 1.]

15 Aug. **96.** FRIARS OF CHESTER.

R. O.

Certificate of the surrender of all the houses of friars in Chester to Ric. bp. of Dover, visitor under the lord Privy Seal, "without any counsel or constraining but very poverty," in presence of Phoke a Dutton, mayor, Robt. Aldersey, Henry Gee, Raffe Rogerson, Raffe Goodeman, and Wm. Bestwyke, aldermen, and Thos. Marten, late sheriff. The visitor received the houses, made inventories, and delivered them, with the houses, to the mayor's hands, 15 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Dutton, Rogerson, Marten, Gee, and Goodman.*
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R. O.

2. Surrender of the prior and convent of the Black Friars in Westchester "without any coaction or counsel but for very poverty." 15 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Hugh Brecknock, prior; John Sargent, sub-prior; John Byrd, Robt. Romesay and David Greffhet.*
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R. O.

3. Surrender of the Grey Friars in Westchester, 15 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Wm. Wall, John Wynne, Ralph Norres, and four others.*
P. 1. *Endd.*

R. O.

4. Surrender of the White Friars in Westchester, 15 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by John Hurleton, prior; Robt. Drake, sub-prior; Ric. Bastwell and seven others.*
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15 Aug. **97.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 375.

Has sent for Robt. Antony, late cellarer of Christchurch, and will examine him concerning his progress Romeward.

Adam Damplip, of Calais, denies that he taught or said that the body and blood of Christ was not presently in the Sacrament of the Altar. He says the controversy between him and the prior was because he confuted the opinion of transubstantiation, "and therein I think he taught but the truth." Two friars, however, came to testify against him that he had denied the presence of the body and blood in the Sacrament, and he straightway fled. Thinks it rather from suspecting the rigour of the law than the defence of his own cause. Has appointed two of his chaplains to go to Calais and preach, but it is thought they will do little good if the prior* returns home. No one has hindered the Word of God so much as he, or maintained superstition more. Sends two letters about his subtlety and craft. Prays that he may not come to Calais any more to tarry, but either that the house be suppressed, or an honest and learned man appointed in his room. As he is here now, asks for Cromwell's authority to forbid him to return. In his last letters asked Cromwell to make Mr. Hutton an abbot or a prior. His presence with the King might work something towards his suit. Desires Cromwell therefore to allow him to come home. Lambeth, 15 Aug. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* John Dove, prior of the White Friars at Calais. *See* Part I., No. 1386.

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15 Aug. **98.** Lord Chancellor Audeley to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letter of the 12th, asking for the names of the commissioners for the collection of the subsidy. The commissioners are at London, and not with him, but he will send thither for the names. It would have been done before this, but Bertlett has not furnished the schedules of the act of subsidy to be annexed to the commissions. Colne Priory, Our Lady Day Assumption.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

15 Aug. **99.** Walter Cowley to Wriothesley.

R. O. A friend of his is sued in the county of Wexford and the plaintiff is so maintained that he is not like to have justice. Begs him to procure my Lord's* letters to the Master of the Rolls, Mr. Treasurer, and the Chief Justice to decide the case. Desires Mr. Cusake's and his own despatch. London, 15 Aug.

Credence for bearer for despatching other poor suitors.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

15 Aug. **100.** William Abbot of Burton-on-Trent, to Cromwell.

R. O. On the 12th August I received the King's letters and yours in favour of Mr. Robert Everest, one of the sewers of the Chamber, for the tithe of the parsonage of Allstrye, Warw. That tithe is so necessary for our house that we cannot do without it, and was appropriated under the broad seal of England because we had not corn sufficient for hospitality. You write that Sir Thos. Gresseley, deceased lately, and had the same tithe. But it is 34 years since,† and he had it only because the abbot was in debt to him. Burton-on-Trent, 15 August.

Hol., p. 1, *broad sheet. Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

15 Aug. **101.** Relics.

R. O. Receipt by Sir Wm. Goryng, knt., from Wm. Humfre, one of the churchwardens of Wysborowe Green, before Sir Rolonde, curate, and divers others, 15 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., of the following feigned and superstitious relics: — A crucifix, the foot silver, the middle a crystal containing a little quantity of Our Lady's milk, with two other bones. Relics of the tomb and vestments of St. Thomas of Canterbury; of the hair shirt and bones of St. James; of the cloak in which St. Thomas the Martyr was martyred, and his blood; of the Holy Sepulchre; of SS. Sebastian and Sy[l]vester; of St. Peter's beard and hair; of St. Giles; of the Mount of Olives; of the stones with which Stephen was stoned; of the rochet of St. Edmund, archbishop of Canterbury. St. James' comb. A chymer of St. Thomas of Canterbury. Sage men of the parish say that these "have been used and offered unto time out of mind."

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15 Aug. **102.** James V. to Paul III.

Theiner, 609. Recommends David bp. of Mirepoix (Beton) to be promoted to the Cardinalate. George Hay, the bearer, will explain further. Linlithgow, 15 Aug. 1538.

Lat.

Ib. 2. A letter of James on the same subject to Card. Farnese. Same date.

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* Cromwell's.

† Sir Thos. Gresley died on the 26th Jan. 19 Hen. VII., *i.e.*, 1504 (Inquis. p. m. 20 Hen. VII., No. 132). This letter must therefore be of the year 1538.

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15 Aug. **103.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to HENRY VIII.

Otho, C. IX., 132. B. M.

"Most hygh and myghty prynce and . . . . . off thys prezsumyd soch as then wer yn . . . . . grace be a ragozsey who hath a schyp lody[n] . . . . . London, who ys name ys Maryn de Goosso . . . . . your Hyghnes off Barba rows ys act yn Candy . . . . . a bowght.

"At that passage wrot the Armad schuld be wyth . . , ... CCCC. seylles and lyke xxxm[l]. sowger be sydes ma[ryners wher]off be assemblyd yn the port of Myssyn CCL. seylles . . . . . And syns the concluzsyon takyn yn Aguas Mortes be . . . . French kyng, has cum non nuys off sarteyn, exsept . . . . . ys whan the prynce Dory comys they wyll set fort[h] . . . and they schall do. For thys yer ys nothyng to be [done but] yff yt be yn Barbary, for to recovyr holdes that . . . . . from the kyng of Tonys, whych ys subget to th . . . . . Mor ovyr her ys murmur that the concluzsion a tw . . . . ys to make thyr streynth ageynst your Mage[sty] . . . . off the Schyrch, to the whych Venyssyans wyll . . . . . nowthyr Jenys, whych ys most seyd ys caws . . . . . the armad goth not forward.

"Also yt ys spokyn Venys sekes to retorn pes . . . . . thus contenually her ys murmur off every sort . . . . . won thyng ther ys syre off nature fforssyd. . . . . the to nacyons, Spayn and Frawance, berys y[our Grace] no ffavyr, nowthyr part off Italy ffor the [bishop of] Rom, and wyll not he schall be so namyd her [for any] wordes off manassys that may be.

"And seys your Mageste be strenth hath mad . . . . martyrys and holdes rude opynyons and p . . . . . so long yt hath byn yn uce y . . . . . specyally to a tru worme, so myche . . . . . Mageste be sydes dute off naturall subg . . . [do] no les but to sertyffy. As I am boundyn to God in Trynyte, so am I bouudyn to be tru [to my] Kyng yn every degre, and so trust I to be savyd . . . . ure off ony that barys the brod cros, lest rent . . . and rather to soffyr ony lenger her your hygh . . . . . had to lyve a very pore lyff then thus to contenu. For, Syre, your hygh grace be good and gracyus l[ord] off the porest wormys and tru subgetes that be long . . to yowr hygh Mageste, the whych to contenue all w[e] prey to the etern Trynyte. Yn hast at Malta ye xv [day of] August M[l]V[c]XXXVIII.

"To your Hygh Mageste,
"Umble slave, as God wyll,
"Clement West."

16 Aug. **104.** SIR JOHN DUDLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I find by Master Polsted you have delivered him my bill ready signed for the abbey of Hales Owen. I shall never be able to deserve your kindness, but I beg you to forbear the 500*l.* I owe you till eight days after the King be past Hawlden, for since my servant Thos. Dudley was with your Lordship I thought your pleasure had been determined upon Paynswike and Morton Valence, whereupon I discharged my debts to John Browne and others to the sum of 550*l.*, and am now quite unfurnished. But I have promised Polsted full payment in three weeks, "and within less than 10 days if it were not for the King's Highness coming to my poor house." London, 16 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal.

16 Aug. **105.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Mr. Basset is come, merry and in good health. Tonight he enters Lincoln's Inn, where there are at this day almost fourscore gentlemen. If

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he had not come this week his chamber would have been gone. He desires your blessing and my Lord's, and sends commendations to my mistress his wife and his sisters. I send by bearer a box of treacle of your own poticary's, and by Nich. Marcks I trust you will receive liveries of marble colour for 12 yeomen and eight gentlemen. The rest will be ready in 16 days. Mrs. Anne is at Woodham Water. I will see the money safely conveyed to her. Tomorrow Skutt shall have your stuff in hand. I should like to have the spoon with speed to take to Court. It might stay your coming over. Mr. Russell and my lady are sick. If you did send to them with the first of all your conserves it would be well taken. Excuse me to my Lord for this day, I have been so busy. In haste, 16 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

16 Aug. **106.** HERRY POLSTED to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Has received his letter of the 14th, with Mr. Pope's letter. Evidently Pope is as loth that Cromwell should purchase the manor as he is of Cromwell's displeasure, so that if Cromwell stick to it he will have his purpose. Sends copy of Pope's letter. Doubts not he will get 300*l.* if he wishes to part with it again. Has spoken with Master Dudley, but came too late, for all his money was gone long since. He has been in Staffordshire, and came to London this Friday. Sends a letter which Polsted procured him to write. Does not know whether he has written anything concerning the reversion, but he said Cromwell should have it at his own price. Has written to Master Parry for the survey thereof.

Intends to bring Cromwell his will at Sheffelde, with the valuations of divers monasteries, which he has sought out to serve his purpose for Master Gregory and my lady. Thanks Cromwell for remembering his suit to the King and his warrant at Mortlake. The Rolls, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

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R. O. 2. Copy of Thomas Pope's letter to Cromwell.

I have received your letters, wherein you can scant believe but that I and Robynson have circumvented you in the purchase of Drayton. Nevertheless your Lordship writeth you will bear no malice if I declare my oaths to be true and let you purchase the said manor for what I paid to Sir John Dudley. Robynson is come to London, and will be with your Lordship in two days; he much lamenteth your displeasure. I am contented for your Lordship to have Drayton of me, so that I may be discharged of my promise to Robynson of the preferment, on which he lent me 400*l.* If I had not promised Robynson, before Mr. Whorwood and others, to be bound in 1,000*l.* for the performance of my promise, "he would never have released his interest to me." I had or this delivered the obligation to Robynson's servant if Mr. Polsted had not required me to incumber the land no further. I had made my wife a jointure thereof. I remember once, among other counsel your Lordship gave me in your gallery at the Rolls, you willed me to keep my word. I was moved only by friendship to Robinson; when I came first to London, in my necessity he lent me money. I have lost in the 50*l.* manor I sold towards the purchase, 100*l.*; it cost 1,100*l.* and I sold it for 1,000*l.* I have besides lost 25*l.* rent at Michaelmas. Next to the King I am bound to your Lordship, of whom I have received all I have. I beg credence for Mr. Dyer, the bearer, and thank you for favouring his late suits. Putnethe, St. Lawrence Day [10 Aug.].

Copy, in the hand of Polsted's clerk, pp. 2 (*closely that appended to the preceding letter*). *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

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16 Aug. **107.** Sir Richard Ryche to Cromwell.

R. O. The King commanded me to let the priory of Horton and its demesnes to Tate, and afterwards a farm, "whether it were the manor of Horton or not I cannot tell till I come to London." If it be not it shall be at your command, for I would rather Palmer had it than Tate. "It was reported in the presence of your friends that a certain person would have Horton priory and the best farms thereto belonging, maugre my good will, wherein promise is kept." At our meeting you shall know more. Wyvenhoo, 16 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Aug. **108.** Dr. William Petre to Cromwell.

R. O. After surrender taken of the three monasteries in Norfolk, whereof no doubt Cromwell is advertised by Mr. Sowthwell and Lentall, Petre rode into Yorkshire. There he first named the prior of Nueburgh, as Cromwell wished. Received the resignation of the abbot of Whiteby, and as they had no *congé d'élire*, took their "compromise" into his Lordship's hands. Dr. Sherwoode (who is named of naughty judgment) was not with the Bishop nor at York, so Petre rides to Beverlay, to him there, with Cromwell's commands; thence to Clatercotes. Begs remembrance of his suit. Having a mete messenger, thought his duty to show his proceedings. Malton, 16 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

109. Gregory Conyers to Cromwell.

R. O. Petitions to know Cromwell's pleasure in the suit of the late abbot of Whitby against him. Cromwell wrote to the Council in the North to examine the matter; but all the witnesses called by the abbot were his own servants except Laurence Knaggs and Mr. Chamley, who are not indifferent. Petitioner's witnesses were never examined upon the principal article of Cromwell's letters, *i.e.*, whether an exaction named "Reyk pens" was gathered in Whitby parish before the statute for the discharge of the "Rome pens called Peter pens." Begs Cromwell to settle the matter or remit it to the law, and to consider petitioner's great expenses before Cromwell here in London as well as before the Council in the North.

Large paper, p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Aug. **110.** Will. Chester, Mayor of Bristol, to Cromwell.

R. O. Sir John Rawlins, mentioned in Cromwell's letter concerning the rape of a young girl of nine or ten, was arrested and sent to the gaol of Newgate in Bristol. At the quarter sessions, held 18 June last, the jury returned a verdict which was not sufficient, and at the gaol delivery of the 7th August he was indicted of the said rape. Indictment and the first, void, verdict enclosed. He has found good sureties to appear before the King's Council. Bristol, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Verdict of the jury that Sir John Cartelage or Rawlins, of Bristol, clk., on the 18 April 29 Hen. VIII., enticed Eliz. Thomas, about eight years old, to his chamber and endeavoured to violate her.

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R. O. 3. Indictment finding that the rape was accomplished.

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16 Aug **111.** Wm. [Barlow] Bp. of St. David's [to Cromwell.]

Cleop. E. iv. 260. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 206.

Has done his best according to Cromwell's ("your Lordship's") letters for removing idolatrous images. Has done it quietly throughout the diocese, and expresses a hope that the people will be rescued from Popish delusions, and erudition be planted even in Wales. If his petition be obtained for the translating of the see to Kermerddyn and transposing Abergwilly College to Brecknock, the principal towns of South Wales, Welsh rudeness would soon be framed to English civility. The see is in an angle so unfrequented (except by vagabond pilgrims) that evil-disposed persons lurk there at liberty, while those who would do well cannot utter their well-doing. Moreover, it has always been esteemed a delicate daughter of Rome resembling her mother in idolatry, licentious living, deceitful pardons, &c., as it is written *Roma semel quantum dat bis Menevia tantum.* As the bp. of Rome's influence crept up by policy, so did that of our Welsh David, the patron of Wales, whose very existence is doubtful, as it rests upon such legends as those lately tried out of Dervelgadern, Conoch, and other Welsh gods. Has some antique writings in barbarous letters and incongrue Latin showing that Rome herself would scarcely compare with St. David's for usurpation, extortion, bribery, simony, &c.; and now that Rome is exiled out of England the remnants of her puppetry should be banished out of Wales. The cost of a sumptuous building (a commorth lately granted for the same) would be better bestowed at Kermerddyn than in a barbarous desolate corner. Lantfey, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

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16 Aug. **112.** John Bekynsaw to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

Writes to certify her of her son James's good health. Mr. Kyllegro would have brought him home to her, as my lord of Winchester intended, but Madame La Gras would not suffer him to depart because her husband was not at home and Mr. Kyllegrow brought no letters from you or my lord of Winchester. Mr. Carow, your kinsman, sends commendations, having no news to write himself. Mr. Sharyngton, passing by this town with Mr. Bryan's train, borrowed of Mr. Carow 5*l.* and gave him a bill to pay it at his coming to Calais, and he begs you to send him the money. Paris, 16 Aug. 1538.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* In Calais.

16 Aug. **113.** John Heliares to Sir Thos. Harrison, Curate of Warblington.

R. O.

I am anxious to hear from my brother Fowle how he came home and how he sped in his matters. I fear they met with Frenchmen homewards who, I am told, about that time, robbed divers Englishmen. If Hugh Holland come not himself, pray let him send me the token which I sent him into Zeland by my brother Fowle when he was at Louvain with me, so that I may know that they are alive, as neither of them can write. The morrow of the Assumption of Our Lady.

Any tokens or letters sent to me, let them be addressed in my absence to mine host, Jacobus Sempidores, goodman of the Antony, who will pay carriage and keep them till my return from lectures, or from any learned men's chambers.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd. by Harrison as delivered by him to Sir Wm. Gowryn.*

16 Aug. **114.** [Sir] Richard Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O.

Asks Cromwell to move the King that the late prior of Walsingham, who is both impotent and lame, may be parson of Walsingham. He is very

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discreet, learned, of good name and fame, and can set forth the Word of God very well, whereof the town has great need. Asks Cromwell to be good lord to Bolter, the bearer, that he may have his licence for beans. London, 16 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Aug. **115.** Sir Thos. Wharton to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. v., 136. Immediately after his return from the King, sent to the lord Maxwell for a day of March to be kept especially for the disorders of Ledesdall and the unlawful taking of Sir Reynold Carnaby's servants. They met at Lochmaben Stane on the 9th Aug. and left not a bill unanswered, Maxwell delivering to Wharton his brother and Wharton his to Maxwell, as pledges. Maxwell said Sir Reynold Carnaby's servants were not taken within Warton's rule, but Wharton debated the point, saying they had filed the West March when they entered Scotland; and the deliverance was arranged next day, 10 Aug., as appears by the proclamation herewith. Have appointed a meeting at Cressop on Friday, 24 Aug.,* for attempts by Liddesdale men since the peace. Has endeavoured to help the men of the Middle March who have suffered most from the Scots, and sent to Sir John Wetheringtom, the deputy warden, for all bills that have colour of filing the West March. Has appointed a warden court at Carlisle on Saturday, 25 Aug.* Would like the King's letters to force an agreement between Cumberland and Dacres, but not as if at his solicitation, for neither of them loves him. Carlisle, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. St. P. v., 137. 2. "Copy of a proclamation made at the Bating Busk." [*See* another copy in No. 63.]

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16 Aug. **116.** Sir Thos. Wharton to the Council at York.

Calig. B. III. 225. B. M. On Friday, 9 Aug., met the lord Maxwell at Lochmaben Stone. Good justice was done for the West Marches, although there was little expectation of good rule owing to the late attempts in the Middle March. Demanded the Englishmen taken of his cousin Sir Reynold Kerneby's servants, and other the King's subjects. On Maxwell denying, said he would provide a remedy. Had a meeting the morrow after at Baytyng Buske,—settled a proclamation. Sends a copy. Has agreed to meet Maxwell at Creshope Friday, 23 Aug., to redress the Ledesdale matters. Has written to Sir John Whetherington for all bills. Learned yesterday at Appleby from Sir Will. and John Musgrave that they are commanded to wait on the Council at York on the 17th. Begs that John be dismissed and sent hither, as he is needed to consider the bills in these parts touching Bowcastelldale. Kyrkbythurne, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

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Calig. B. III. 226. B. M. ii. Another copy of the proclamation made at the Batyng Busk, 10 Aug. 1538. [*See* No. 63.]

Pp. 2. *Addressed:* "To the King's highness' most honorable council at York." *Endorsed by Wriothesley.*

* In this letter Wharton has made an error in his computation, writing Friday, 24th, and Saturday, 25th August, instead of Friday, 23rd, and Saturday, 24th. In the letter to the Council at York he gives the first date correctly.

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16 Aug. **117.** THOS. THEABOLDE to CRANMER.

Nero B. vi. 148. B. M.

Within these eight days, Myhel Frognorton, Pole's steward, was at Padua buying linen, &c. He told a Lombard of Theabolde's acquaintance that his master would be at Venice most of the winter "attending the time of the Council," for the Venetians were very desirous of him; that the Emperor and French king communed more and showed greater friendship to him than to the Pope and Cardinals, and that his exhortation to them both was a great occasion of their accord. Hears from others that he was more conversant with them than all the rest. He was also with both the French Queen and the queen of Navarre, "whom he liked not so exceedingly, for he reported after his return home from here that she was in heaven and in God's bosom or ever he could come to her. What these things do betoken God knoweth and your Grace can and may conjecture. They please me nothing." The Council was indicted again at Vyncence, openly in the chief church by Alian[der] cardinal Brundusinus, to begin next Easter. It will be as sure as the others have been, for all are but illusions and dissimulations. No men jest and rail more against them than the Italians. Vyncence is not a place meet for a council, for it is as populous for its bigness as any city he has seen, and the lodgings do not respond thereto. Passed through it within these five days with some Flemings who were friends of Card. Brundusine's physician and secretary. Was told that he had his bulls and everything ready to indict the Council in Almayne. Hears he is now departed, but will go first to confirm the peace between the Vivade and Verdynand, who is at Prague. He will chiefly address himself to the duke of Saxon, for he is determined to confe[r] with Luther and Melanchthon upon all their controversies, and for this purpose carries with him all his books. Thinks he intends under pretence of this indiction to prove all ways to agree with [the] divines of Wyttenberge by some middle or means, or at least find out what they can do or to what point they may be brought, "for r[a]ther they will find a means of agreement than to stand to a Council indifferent." Reckons they have some hope by reason of Philip Mela[nchthon's] incons[tan]cy and the contentions of these Svynglians and them, with these other new sects rising daily. Reckons they will not find Luther after th[eir] hope, for he has lately written a more vehement work against the Pope and his councils pretended, than any he has written hitherto. Aliandre entertains all the high Almains who come to his place, as many of the students in Padua do, and asks them about Luther and Melanchthon, praising them much. Aliandre was promoted to his Cardinalate by his learning and crafty wit, to be one of the Pope's "jocklers," for his virtue is no greater than his brethren. He has a bastard son of 18 years, whom he calls his nephew, and to whom he would resign his archbishopric if he legally could. He has already provided for him other good benefices, and at his father's departure he will be sent to Padua to study. A Scotch archbishop* has been at Vincence since May, being sent to the Council. Last winter he was with the Pope in Rome. He is lodged at the Grey Friars, of which order he was in times past, and therefore it is like that he is an exceeding honest man. Has not seen him or any of his household. Friar Peto is among the Observant Friars at Venice by Mr. Pole's means.

Was told by an Almayn merchant who came straight from Augusta that he met 6,000 Spaniards going to defend Hoben in Hungary, which the Vivad had delivered to Ferdinand. He himself is gone to Sievenberge where he is out of all danger. Ferdinand has already sent 600 men at arms. The Venetians and Pope are in great fear at these accords of the Emperor, French king, Ferdinand, king of Poland, Vivade and other. The Venetians

* If this statement be correct, it can only refer to James Beton, archbishop of St. Andrews, of whom nothing seems to be known about this time.

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have made a proclamation that banished men may return on condition of helping Ferdinand against the Turk.

The citizens and common people over all the dominion of Venice desire nothing so much as the Emperor to be lord of Italy, and seeing him so fortunate and their lords in fear, they begin to speak their minds liberally, for they are in such servitude by tribute and taxes that their hearts are alienated from the heads. They dare not move because the lords of Venice have builded one or two castles in every city, whereby they are ordered like beasts, "and therefore as much as they can and dare *aspirant ad libertatem.*" Does not hear much news of the Turk, for he is 30 miles from Padua, drinking the waters to cool his liver and correct the immoderate heats by reason thereof.

Hears that the Barbaroussa has taken 10 or 12 Christian galleys. Andreas Dorias returned on the 8th or 10th inst. from conducting the Emperor to Genoa and will join the Christian navy against the Turks as fast as he can. The Venetians think of sending the duke of Urbino with 10,000 or 12,000 men to invade the Turk's lands in Slavonia. Saw 100 Spaniards going to serve the Venetians.

Expects to return to Padua in four days. Asks him to send on the letter to the earl of Wiltshire. Has written by every post since coming here; but since leaving England, which is a year, has only had one letter, which was with his bank. Fears his father and other friends will make a stay to send him money at Michaelmas, because they would have him home. Asks Cranmer to cause them to send him his "deuty" for he needs it. Has spent the 20*l.* Cranmer sent him from his friends and 20 cr. besides. Every thing is twice as dear as usual in consequence of this war with the Turks. Asks him to obtain from him for the earl of Wiltshire, half a year's farm of Chedyngstone,—specially because of his journey to Rome this winter, for here is no borrowing of money. In France or Almain could have made shift for 500 cr. Chaldere, 16 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

16 Aug. **118.** ANTHOINE [DUKE OF LORRAINE] to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. II. 88. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Is glad to have found the bearer to send her news. He and his children make good cheer. Is ready to do any service to the King her husband and her. Bar, 16 Aug. *Signed:* "Anth'e."

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.* M. le Duc de Lorraine.

17 Aug. **119.** BISHOP STOKESLEY.

Close Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. pt. 7, m. 3*d.* No. 60.

Release and quitclaim by John Stokesley, bp. of London, to Thos. lord Crumwell, lord and true owner of the manor and lordship of Wymbelton, Surrey, of his interest in a great close of land and wood called Mylkehill, in the parish of Wymbelton, near Bervery Brigge on the south side of the highway, containing about 120 acres; which belonged to Thos. Megges, kinsman and heir of the late bp. af Ely, brother and heir of Thos. West. Dated 17 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged in Chancery the same day.

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2. Deed of gift by John Stokesley, bp. of London, to Walter Williams *alias* Crumwell, and Thos. Avery, in fee simple, of all messuages, lands, &c. in Wymbeldon, Putneth, Rokehampton, Est Shene, and Mortlake, Surr.; and also that messuage or inn now called the Pelican, formerly the Swan, in Wandelesworth, a close of pasture there called Swandowne, of about seven acres, and all other lands, &c., in Wandelesworth and Barnes, Surr., which the Bp. acquired from Thos. Megges, kinsman and heir of the late bp. of Ely, brother and heir of Thos. West. Constitutes John Sandon and John Harvie his attorneys. Dated 17 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

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17 Aug. **120.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Sends by Nich. Merks, the bearer, 22½ yds. marble for gentlemen's livery, very good cloth at 5*s.* 8*d.* the yd.; also 28½ yds. for yeomen at 4*s.* 8*d.* The rest shall be ready in 16 days. The King did not come to Porchester nor into the Forest. Edw. Clifford is in ward and likely to suffer for treason in counterfeiting the King's sign or seal. God have mercy on him! Is told his privy seal for 8*d.* extraordinary was also counterfeited, and divers licences for beer and cloth. Mr. Russell is sick and my lady his wife, but something amended. You shall have great lack of him. Intends to ride to the Court on Tuesday. Can hear nothing yet of Adams. It is said the French king is coming to Brussels, and the Regent going to France to meet her sister. No other news but that the Bishops have not yet finished their long sitting. London, 17 Aug.

P.S. I have sent my lord of Norfolk's letter.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

17 Aug. **121.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I sent your treacle by Mr. Corbett. I now send by Nich. Merkes 22½ yds. for the gentlemen's livery of marble, a very good cloth costing 5*s.* 8*d.* a yard, and 28½ yds. for the yeomen at 4*s.* 8*d.* The rest will be ready in 16 days. The lining and fustian is for Mr. Philpott. I cannot have the stuff for your ladyship till Monday. Mr. Bassett and his man are in Lincoln's Inn, and he desires to have his gear sent. Mr. Russell and my lady are both sick but something amended. You might send them some conserves. I should like to have the spoon. Clyfford of London is in hold for treason. London, 17 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

17 Aug. **122.** THOS. BROKE to CROMWELL.

R. O. I beg you to have that pity upon me, a poor young man, who, "through the fair not kept promises of my wife's parents induced into the charge of wife and children, am now so much charged and oppressed that truly I know not what way or mean I may be able to sustain or continue them," unless you will show like charity to me as you have done to other oppressed men. My lord Chamberlain has, by the King's letters patent, the office of receiver of the county of Guisnes. He is of great age and I should be much bound to you for the reversion thereof. 17 August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

123. THOS. BROKE to CROMWELL.

R. O. I beg you will not take ill the motion made to you, on my behalf, last night, by my friend Dr. Leyton; for I desired to advance the King's profit, which is much neglected by some officers there, more than my own preferment. I beg you will instruct Mr. Pollarde, now one of the King's general surveyors, that I may freely resort to him. Written this Wednesday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Aug. **124.** FRIARS of RHUDDLAN.

R. O. Memorandum of the surrender of the Black Friars of Rudlond to the bp. of Dover in presence of Perse Motton, usher of the King's chamber. Perse Gruffett, serjeant of arms, and others; and of the delivery of the house to the custody of Motton and Gruffett. 17 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* By me Peter Mottū: per me Perys Gruff': per me Henricū Conwey, senior'.

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2. Surrender of the Black Friars of Rutlonde to the lord Visitor. 17 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Per me D'd. Llo. priorem Fr. Prædicatorum Ruthlan—Per me Fr. Jamys Thomas—Fr. Wyllyam Holfford—Fr. Elyzeus ap Howel—Fr. Owenus ap Kynryke—Fr. Dd. ap Gruffyt.

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R. O. 3. Inventory of the stuff of the Black Friars of Rutlond, delivered to Motton and Gruffyth.

In the choir, a table of alabaster on the altar, a wooden crucifix, new stalls, and very few vestments. *In the kitchen*, 2 brass pots, a brass pan, 3 pewter platters. No bedding or other stuff. Praised by Master Henry Conwey, Kenrycke Hanmer, and Henry Conwey (junior ?).

Two kine and 5 hogs, 22*s.* 8*d.* The servants were paid and one bedrid friar provided for. A little chalice in the visitor's hands not worth 16*s.* *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* None lead; about 40*s.* by year to let.

18 Aug. **125.** THOMAS THACKER to CROMWELL

R. O. On Friday last, Mr. Gostwyk, Mr. Edgare and I being at dinner with the Lord Mayor, Mr. Birch came in from the Court and said he had your Lordship's command that, if his wife bare a man child, I as your deputy should "make a Thomas." Sitting at dinner word came that his wife was delivered of a man child, and though I hesitated to do it without written commission, he insisted, so that I with Mr. Gostwyk and young Mrs. Gresham, have christened him Thomas. Gave the midwife and nurse 10*s.* each, and for a reward to the child have deferred to your Lordship's pleasure. From your Lordship's place by Friar Augustines in London, 18 Aug.

My fellow Richard Woddall is sore vexed with ague, so that I doubt, without comfort from your Lordship, it will cost him his life. He sore repents his folly.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal.

18 Aug. **126.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. St P. I. 579 C.'s Letters, 377. According to Cromwell's letters of the 15th, sent for the German orators and asked them to tarry till the King came nearer. They said they could not do this without the King excusing them to their princes. Next day they had decided to leave in eight days, but finally agreed to wait for a month. They wish to "entreate of the abuses" and put the articles in writing, which Cranmer has promised shall be done.

Asks that Dr. Lee and Dr. Barbour, Cranmer's chaplain, may be commissioned to examine St. Thomas' blood in Canterbury cathedral, which Cranmer suspects to be red ochre or such like. Lambeth, 18 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Privy Seal.

2. A modern copy of this letter is in Tanner MS. 105, f. 65.

18 Aug. **127.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 376. Has received his letters concerning the prior of the friars at Calais, with letters to the lord Deputy which he has sent on. Is pleased that Cromwell so frankly admonishes him to favour God's word, and to the right administration of his room and office. Will keep the prior in safe custody till Cromwell's return to these parts. Doubts not there will be matter enough for his deprivation. Lambeth, 18 Aug.

Reminds him to manage that Hutton shall come over to England. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

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18 Aug. **128.** CRANMER to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 378. Asks him to remind Cromwell to send for Mr. Hutton to England that he may by his presence prefer himself in obtaining some honest living belonging to these abbeys. Lambeth, 18 Aug. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Wrysleye, Esq.

18 Aug. **129.** WHITE FRIARS, DENBIGH.

R. O. Memorandum of the surrender of the White Friars at Denbigh to the bp. of Dover in the presence of the bp. of St. Asaph, to whose custody the house was delivered. 18 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Per me Robertum Assaphen ep'm.
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R. O. 2. Surrender of the White Friars in Denbigh to the Visitor. 18 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Per me Ricardum Conwey, priorem Fratrum Carmilitarum conventus Denbie.—Per me Jh'onem Blakon.—Per me Rcard' (*sic*) Browne.—Per me Roger' D'd.
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R. O. 3. Survey of the White Friars (Carmelites) of Denbigh.

Tenements in Pole flatter Street, Love Lane, the street that leads from the convent to the Market Place, and certain closes. The original donors named. Total yearly value, 42*s.* 2*d.*

The church is a long house, slated, like a barn, "with a steeple of timber like a lovere of a hall, boarded," the top leaded. A little cloister half unbuilded, on the south side of the church. On the east side of the cloister, the chapter house and bishop's chamber. On the south side of the cloister the dorter. On the west side a little hall, buttery, and chamber. An old kitchen, gatehouse, and stable. A fair orchard and a little garden.
Pp. 2. *Endd.*

R. O. 4. Inventory of the White Friars of Denbigh, received by the visitor and delivered to the bp. of St. Asaph.

The choir.—Laten candlesticks, two tables of alabaster, two bells in the steeple, a canopy for the sacrament, &c. *The vestry.*—Vestments, chasubles, &c.

Other articles in the chamber, the hall, the kitchen, the brewhouse, and the buttery. In my Lord's hands a chalice with a little crucifex on the foot, 10 oz. Appraised, 19 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., by Thos. Conwey, Wm. Wynway, John Barker, and Robt. Blake. Total, 4*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*
Pp. 2. *Endd.*

R. O. 5. Another copy of § 4 without the note of appraisement at the end, with a signature in the same hand as the text: "per me Robertum Assaphen' ep'm."
Pp. 2. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* "Non led nor rentes but y^e^ house and gardens."

18 Aug. **130.** BONNER to HENRY VIII.

Petyt MSS. Vol. 47, fol. 5. Inner Temple. Wrote last on the 9th (corrected 10th) by Dr. Heynes, then returning to the King, from Roane, four posts from Lyons. Fears the King has not yet received his letters, for his friend could not make so much speed as this courier Francisco. Recapitulates their contents. Trusts the King will receive them soon after the bearer's arrival.

And now to answer the King's letters. Thinks himself most unworthy for such a function as the King has burdened him with. Will nevertheless serve the King "with most good heart" and diligently advertise him of all occurrences. Has heard something about the French king's promise to the King from Winchester and Thirleby; and is promised full instructions,

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which he will signify to the King. Has received, according to the King's pleasure, such plate and stuff from Dr. Thirlebie as appears in two writings sent herewith; and 1,000 crowns at Lyons upon a bill of exchange which the King commanded to be sent. With part of the money has bought horses, raiment, &c., and will want still more when he has "place and time to provide as appertaineth." The King's letters to the French king, the Great Master, the cardinal of Loreyn, and the Chancellor shall be delivered as soon as audience is obtained, "and answer returned with expedition." Burges in Bary, 18 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

18 Aug. **131.** Bonner to Cromwell.

Petyt MSS. Vol. 47, fol. 7. Inner Temple.

Sent two letters by Dr. Heynes, who left Roane on the 10th instant, and trusts he will, on the receipt of this, receive them also. Heynes and he arrived at Lyons on the 6th, and the same day Winchester and Thirlebye departed thence to avoid them, lodging that night at Barella (L'Arbresle), where he found them next morning. Thought their departure to have been from urgency, but it was not so. Found much kindness in Thirlebie, and as little in the Bishop. Was compelled to send his servant back to Lyons to make provision of horses, raiment, and necessaries, and to inform Heynes where he could tarry for him. The plate and stuff he received from Dr. Thirlebie appears in two writings sent herewith. Received nothing from Winchester.

They departed from Barella on Wednesday and lodged that night at Terrara.* Thursday, "went to St. Zepherin† to dinner and to Roane to bed." Friday, Winchester and Thirlebye left Roane, lodging that night at La Palice. Bonner tarried at Roane for the return of his servant and to write to Dr. Heynes, but promised Thirleby to be with him on Saturday at the furthest. Having written his letters and taken leave of Heynes ("who at Roane went down to Briaro by water") left Roane on Saturday, and, at the third post called Varennes, overtook the Bishop and Thirlebye, buying horses on the way. On Sunday Winchester and Thirlebie left Varennes and dined at Besse,‡ Bonner having ridden to Molyns, where Winchester "had appointed his dinner," and where Bonner tarried for them. The same day Winchester sent Germayne to the Great Master, who was with the French king at Schavenna,§ three leagues from Molynes, to obtain audience. The answer was that audience could not be had before the French king came to Burges in Barye.|| So they stayed at Molynes till Thursday, when they went to Villa Nova,¶ one post thence. On Friday went to Verdier,** whence, from lack of victuals, they were compelled to go to St. Quyne.†† On Saturday, trusting to meet the French king at Burges and make suit for audience, they rode to Blete‡‡ and thence to Burges; but the French king had left Burges that morning. "Of his uncertain progress further your Lordship may perceive by the schedule herein closed, which containeth the French king's journey as it is blazed abroad. The report is diverse and much uncertain, as is contained in our common letter to the King." Cannot tell when they shall have audience; will do their best. Today Germayne was sent to the Court and spoke with the Great Master; but Bonner thinks they will not have audience soon, unless "some good fortune stay the French king in his journey." Would be glad if the gentleman of the Privy Chamber, who is to be his colleague, were here when he is presented, "to thentent we might both begin together and jointly afterward so proceed" in the King's service.

Of his great charges in "these unmeet places" the bearer, Francisco, who is "wondrous diligent," will inform him. Is compelled to send to England

* Tarare, in the Department of Rhone-et-Loire. † S. Symphorien-de-Lay.
‡ Bessay-sur-Allier. § Chevagnes. || Bourges-en-Berry.
¶ Villeneuve. ** Le Veurdre? †† Sancoins. ‡‡ Blet.

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for horses and other things, for which he begs Cromwell to obtain passport. Requests him to thank the bearer for his kindness to Bonner. At Burges in Bary, 18 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Aug. **132.** ANTHOINETTE DE BOURBON (Duchess of Guise) to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

BalcarresMS. II. 10. Edin. Adv. Lib.

As you commanded him, I have given charge to Rouvray, who is here, to put in writing the matters which concern you and your son at this time. The principal is that the little man is as well as could be. The bearer will tell you what he sees. "Il lont trouve creu. Il est toujours bien rongneus, principallement la teste luy gete fort. Je ne (*n'ai*) garde de permettre lon y face riens." I have good hope "il en sera toujours plus sain." His good grandmother spread a report that he was dead, "et le cuydeye ou plain a la Court," but at the coming of your father every one knew the contrary. "Je ne voy aparence Dieu mercy il aye sete joye. Vous verres par des lettres de Pusguyllon comme, quelque effort elle aye fait, elle na point este despechee de se quelle demendoit. Lon pourvoyra a ses entreprinse quy poura. Je pence elle se trouvara au couches de Madame la Marquyse que lon dit saprochet fort. Il me semble que lon veut prendre le terme a quant Monsieur le Marquys le vyst au retour du veage du Roy de dela les Mons a Lyon lors quy fut renvoye sens elle, mais lon doute que pour se terme elle nest pas ases avensce et quy fauldret prendre le terme a xi. mois; et pour la dernyere veue dudit Sieur Marquys quy fut au partir de Chateaudun il y aret beaucoup a dire, car il ny a que trois mois et elle est bien grose de sys. Je croy il y ara bien affaire dy trouver juste comte. Le poure signeur en est le plus ayse et content du moulde, au moins il le dit. Ainsy lon dit Madame Destampes et elle devoye gaigner chacun leur homme pour Monsieur lAmyral, affin se gouvernement de Bourgongne ne luy fut ouste. Le Roy a set affaire en sy grant affecsion que je ne croy il demeura a Monsieur vostre pere maulgre quyl en aye; au moins lon luy en tyent les pourpos, et ne luy fit le Roy james mylleure chere, et est fort content de l'ordre quyl a mys au dit Parys et ausy de la sorte en quoy il sy est conduyt icy, au conte a se porteur pour vous en dire."* But for God's sake say nothing to anybody of what I write about these ladies, for you know what trouble it would be to be in their ill favour. I have no desire to meddle "en leur pourpos." I had letters this evening from your father, who made very good cheer, and your eldest brother also, but Claude has been very ill of a bloody flux and continued fever. The King has given him such aid that he is now almost well. He returns hither *tout bellement*, and your father remains *quant et le Roy*, who is coming by Bourges to Blois, Amboise, and Chamber, finally to withdraw to Fontainebleau. I have written requesting him to pass by Chateaudun to encourage the poor men of the place, who are still (*toujours*) much astonished to find themselves "sy esseules." I reminded him also of the affair of "ma reste," to speak of it to the King, that we may be quit of it if possible, "car se nest que malleureuse (?) dung tel homme." I think he will do his best, and return hither after conducting the King to Fontainebleau. It is said the Cardinal is going thither from Blois to see the Queen his mother, who is well for her age. Your uncle is at Nency on his return. His wife went to meet him (*l'a esté trouver*) at Neuchateau, and they remained there some days. They are to come shortly to Bar, where I will go and see them, "sy lon sy porte bien." Our son has had "des fleux de ventre" there. Your sister still suffers from her fever. "Il est aunuyt son jour et commense sen sentir; les mesdesins die toujours elle ne sera point longue, mais sy ny voyge grant amendement; elle sey trouve

*It is perhaps right to mention that there is absolutely no punctuation in the original, and the reader must exercise his own judgment as to the intended meaning and grammar of these sentences.

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feble et est tant degoustee que lon ne luy set que denner; se nest point mal dengereux, mais la longueur en est facheuse."

I am anxious to hear how you are since your arrival. I have already despatched two or three packets for you to remind you to send us news. I know not if you will have received them. I have begged your aunt to get me two sure men of the mines to send you. I shall not fail to send them as soon as I get them, and also two tailors. "Jen euse deja bien trouve, mais je nen veux point sy ne sont de connesance. Il faut myeulx pleus atendre et en avoir de bons." I have had news with many requests for the *vicomte* de Longueville, who is dead. I have written as you told me to la Blondin (?) and Quyncarnon, and to the officers of the place, to inform me in your father's absence of the most sufficient and capable [person] to exercise the office conscientiously for the good of the duchy and the solace of the people. Many offer money for it, but this should not be allowed for a judicial office. The bearer said you made some promise to the controller Janot, and I would not hinder him, but give it for money I will not, and I think he would not offer it. The *procureur* of Longueville has asked for it, offering his office of *procureur* "pour faire proufit." A good *procureur* is indeed required, and if he were *vicomte* all the more. 18 August.

Hol., Fr., pp. 4. *Add.*

Balcarres MS. II. 71. Adv. Lib. Edin.

2. An order from the duke of Longueville to the bailly of his duchy requiring to be informed touching certain enterprises of his subject (in the duchy), the Sieur de Donuille, against the mills of his duchy. Fontainebleau, 16 Aug. *Original signed:* Loys, *and below:* De Rouveray, "ung paraphe."

Fr. Notarial copy, attested 24 *Sept.* 1538. *P.* 1.

19 Aug. **133.** THOMAS BECKET.

Process against St. Thomas of Canterbury.*

Wilkins III. 835. (from Phœnix Reviviscens, 203–210. Auctore Chrysost. Henriquez).

i. Citation of the saint before the King's Council, dated London, 24 April, 1538.†

This citation was intimated at the saint's tomb, and, after 30 days had been suffered to elapse according to the statute, judgment was pronounced as follows:

ii. Sentence,‡ to the effect that Thomas, formerly archbishop of Canterbury, having been cited, and no one having appeared for him, judgment is given that in his life time he disturbed the realm, and his crimes were the cause of his death, although the people hold him for a martyr. He is therefore never to be named martyr in future, his bones are to be taken up and publicly burnt and the treasures of his shrine confiscated to the King. This edict to be published in London, Canterbury, and elsewhere. London, 11 June, 1538.

This sentence pronounced, the King commanded it to be put into execution 11 Aug. The gold and silver of the shrine (says Pollini) filled 26 waggons. On the 19th (St. Bernard's day),§ the sacrilege was completed and the sacred relics publicly burnt and the ashes scattered.

Latin.

* It is clearly impossible in a compilation like the present to omit even spurious documents which have been accounted genuine, especially when they are included in a work of so great authority as Wilkins's Concilia. In the present case the entry in that work headed "Process against Thomas Becket," &c. consists of two documents imbedded in a fragment of narrative or memoranda, composed partly, it would appear, by Wilkins himself. The bulk of it, however, including the two documents, is an extract from Henriquez; and it is pretty certain that the documents are forgeries, not merely from the extreme improbability of the proceedings themselves, but also from various inaccuracies in point of style—among which may be mentioned the designation of Henry VIII. as king of Ireland more than three years before he assumed the title.

† The date is 1536 in Henriquez.

‡ This sentence is said to be extracted from Eliardus, *i.e.*, from a lost book of Richard Hillyard referred to by Pollini.

§ St. Bernard's day is not the 19th, but the 20th August.

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R. O. Extracts from some book relating to Thomas à Becket, from fo. 22, col. 2 to fo. 92.

Lat., pp. 10.

19 Aug. **135.** JOHN GOSTWYK to RICHARD CROMWELL.

R. O. When I wrote to you in favour of Mr. Drakes, who is now in Huntingdon gaol by command of the bp. of Lincoln, it was at the request of Oliver Leder, who sends this other letter enclosed. This Monday, my fellow Pope, treasurer of the Court of Augmentation, has been with me, fearing he has incurred my Lord's displeasure. He begs you to mediate for him and will consider your pains. London, 19 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

19 Aug. **136.** ANTHONY BIRKS to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. I beg your favour to my lord Privy Seal that so many houses of friars being now "in suppressing" he may help me to one of them as it standeth. The signed bill which the King gave me for Thurgorton Abbey came to no effect as you know. I am in such necessity that a right small gift would do me much comfort. Lye in Kent, 19 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Right Worshipful. *Endd.*

[19 Aug.?] **137.** BLACK FRIARS, BANGOR.

R. O. Inventory of the stuff of the Black Friars of Bangor received by the lord Visitor, and delivered to Wm. Upgrephet (ap Griffith), yeoman of the Crown, and Wm. Uprychard (ap Richard), to the King's use with the house, &c.

In the choir:—2 old altar cloths (1 diaper), 4 small laten candlesticks, an old altar cloth "stenyd with a fruntlet dorynxe," 2 cruets, a single vestment of green camlet, an old silk cope, 3 old chasubles (1 silk), a holy water stope, a sacre bell, a little "botell tyme," new stalls on one side of the choir, 2 bells in the steeple.

In the prior's chamber, a feather bed and a flock bed, &c.

In the buttery, 2 old chests and a little coffer; 2 laten candlesticks, one broken.

In the kitchen:—Platters and utensils enumerated. *Signed in same hand:* per me Will'm Up Greffyt, *and with a mark for Ap Richard's name.*

P. 1. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* Non led, ther renttes x^{s} by zer.

19 Aug. **138.** LLANVAIS.*

R. O. Surrender of the Grey Friars in Londuaze, 19 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

Signed:—Fr. Jh'es Bacheler—Fr. Robertus Bacheler—Fr. Jh'es Sclye. —Fr. Petrus de Maguncia.

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R. O. 2. Inventory of the stuff of the Grey Friars in Londvaze, received by the visitor and delivered to Jas. Jonson and Gylbert Robynson, bailiffs of Bewmarys, and Thos. Bulkeley.

The articles catalogued are in the choir, the church, the vestry, the brewhouse, the kitchen, the hall, and the storehouse. Also corn on the ground and sheep.

* In Anglesea, near Beaumaris.

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Among the items are, a fair table of alabaster on the high altar, two print mass books, one bell in the steeple, &c, The chalice and money received for corn the visitor has. *Signed by Jonson and the others.*

Pp. 2. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* "None lead, their land to let iiij. mk. by year and better."

20 Aug. R. O. **139.** THOS. PRIOR OF CHRISTCHURCH CANTERBURY, to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for his goodness and begs him to continue it. It is a common saying hereabout that religious men will forsake their habit and go as secular priests do. Does not know whether they mean of some certain religion or of all. Cromwell has sent him word before that he and his brethren should never be constrained so to do. Will never desire to forsake his habit, because religious men have been in this church 900 year and more; because he made his profession to serve God in a religious habit; and because if religious men forsake their habits and go about the world, they will have many more occasions to offend God and commit sin than now. Begs him to be good lord to them that they may keep their habit, and to help and defend them if any motion is made to the contrary. Canterbury, Tuesday, 20 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Aug. R. O. **140.** JOHN LORD AUDELEY to CROMWELL.

As a poor creature may, I most heartily thank you for your courteous receipt of my letter and for your answer. To follow the effect of that letter I send the bearer, who has been an auditor in Wales, and is somewhat beaten in the matter between Wm. Owen and me. He will make you a book of the profits of the barony of Kemmes; for what purpose you know. Please be a mean for me to the King for some of those abbeys which are like to come to his hands, in consideration of my losses, and that, by their hypocrisy, they have got of my ancestors much of their patrimony. Fawndres Marshe, 20 Aug. *Signed:* By your bownden bedman, Sir John off Audelay, pouer baron.

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

20 Aug. Cleop. E. IV. 146. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 216.] **141.** JOHN LORD FYTZWARREN to [CROMWELL].

Mr. Goodall, who brought Cromwell's loving letters and the warrant of a stag in Purbeke, has since declared to him the privy practices of certain priests in Sarum, who in confession forbid white meats in Lent, the reading of the New Testament in English, and the company of those of the new learning. Has examined them and certain witnesses against them, and stayed punishment till your Lordship's pleasure be known.

Hearing that the Visitor of the friars is coming to Sarum to dissolve and make sale of such things as he took an inventory of, I beg your Lordship's letters to him, that I may have the stuff of the Black Friars for my money before any other, and the place to dwell in for my rent; and also for your servant Mr. Goodale for the Grey Friars. Dorneford, 20 Aug. *Signed.*

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20 Aug. R. O. St. P. v. 139. **142.** ROBT. [HOLGATE], BP. OF LLANDAFF, to CROMWELL.

At their sitting at York, which lasted from 22 July to 17 Aug., many matters between parties were ended, and at the gaol delivery, 18 put to execution, 15 for felony, and 3 for treason, Thos. Mylnar *alias* Lancaster, Henry Lytherland, vicar of Newark, and the monk of Fountains.

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142. Robt. [Holgate] Bp. of Llandaff, to Cromwell—*cont.*

Sir Thos. Qwarton and Clarencieux, Somerset, Rougedragon, and Rougecroix gave evidence against Milner; and Chr. Eysttoyft,* of Marcheland, Yorks, and Mr. Candysche's priest, of Lincolnshire, against the vicar of Newark. After the vicar's condemnation desired Mr. Candysche and Mr. Dalison of Lincolnshire to take an inventory of his goods. Commends Eysttoyft's service.

Recommends Dan Herre Davell to be abbot of Whitby. York, 20 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Aug. **143.** Gardiner's Instructions for Bonner.

Petyt MSS. Vol. 47, f. 353. Inner Temple.

"The bp. of Winchester, for the instruction of Mr. Doctor Boner in such ten articles as he hath put in writing, and generally in all other things concerning the King's highness' affairs and the office committed to the said Dr. Boner of legation and ambassyate in the court of France, saith as followeth."

Article i. What affairs of the King are pending or to be set forth?

The Bishop answers: (1.) The King has with the French king a league of perpetual amity and mutual defence. (2.) Each King is bound to deliver up the other's rebels. It is to be referred to the King whether he shall "charge" the French king for not delivering up Poole on the Bishop's request. (3.) The French king is bound to pay yearly, on 1 May and 1 Nov., about 95,000 crowns of the sun, and, at the same terms 10,000 crowns for recompense of salt due. (4.) That pension has been unpaid more than four years. (5.) There has also been another treaty (wherein Pomeraye was the French commissioner) for mutual aid on sea against any invasion of the Emperor: neither prince to contract a marriage or conclude a league to the other's prejudice. And last year the French king demanded aid, which the King instructed Winchester to refuse, as the French king had previously departed from the treaty, first, by making alliance with Clement, bp. of Rome, in marrying the Dauphin to his niece, and, secondly, by giving his daughter to the king of Scots. "To these two objections the French king's Council answered:" first, as to the bp. of Rome, they did what they did for the King's benefit, "to obtain sentence of Clement, which they had obtained at Marseilles if commission had been sent thither;" and secondly, as to the marriage with the king of Scots, they made it with Henry's consent declared by lord Rocheforde. They say further that marriage is not prejudicial; for the King cannot allege that the increase of the French king's friends is to his prejudice; it is to his benefit, and the treaty is not "offended." "This matter hath been reasoned in England, and there the ambassador hath ceased in it:" but when the Bishop reasoned with the Council at Chompiegne (Mr. Wallop being present), they were "very stiff in their solutions before written." The Bishop replied: but as "they yielded not," he has reasoned no more in the matter. His reply was this. He denied the affirmation as to obtaining sentence, for he was at Marseilles. He did not know what Rocheford might have said; and the "light word of an ambassador" was no excuse for violating a treaty. He said it must be prejudicial to the King that the king of Scots by such an alliance should be "made of a greater stomach," whence he will refuse redress of injuries on the Borders. (6.) The French king promised three articles, viz.: in any peace to include the King as principal contrahent; not to consent to any council without the King's agreement; to aid the King by lending him as much money as he now forbore.

"So the matters be in number six;" and they "stand in these terms."—(1.) The peace inviolable on Henry's part and not called in question with

* Misread "Eystcoyst" in St. P.

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Francis. (2.) As to the article concerning rebels, the King "hath not alleged it yet openly for a breach, but keepeth it in store." (3.) The pension is to be paid. (4.) Whether the arrearages are to be demanded or not is to be left to the King. (5.) The treaty with Pomeray not further spoken of. (6.) The French king says he is not bound to keep the promise: all his promises are to be understood by the writing of his own hand, and the writing of his own hand he restrains by a "clause of prayour" added at the end; and by the faith of a gentleman he meant it so. Neither he nor the Constable will hear of it; but it must not be forgotten.

As for matters to be set forth, the King has "suspended all till these men here shall make any motion."

Article ii. What is best to be done to advance the above matters, and what is like to hinder them?

Answer.—The ambassador resident always puts the French king's chief counsellor (now the Constable) in mind before the day of payment to make provision. But when the remembrance is displeasing to them Bonner should not be busier therein than he shall be ordered out of England. As to other matters he should follow his instructions from the King. Before speaking with Francis he should prepare himself to answer any objections he would be likely to make. "Be neither in communication too sharp, whereby you should exasperate them, nor duller in language than the case shall require." The chief hindrance is that the French king and his Council always regard their own profit; and unless a matter be profitable they will not regard it. "Every man speaketh his own."

Article iii. What has been desired on the King's behalf concerning a General Council, and what was the answer?

Answer.—The French king, before the King requested him, promised not to agree to a General Council: but when his promise was requested, he refused it as above said.

Article iv. What has been desired on the King's behalf as to the principal contrahent?

Answer.—When the French king's promise was required he said he was not bound thereto.

Article v. What marriages have been proposed, especially with the King?

Answer.—Two years ago the French king proposed a marriage between the duke of Orleans and lady Mary, which was much talked of: "but then the French king would needs have her as legitime; and so that brake off." A little before last Easter he proposed the marriage again "and would be content to take her not legitime, but so as the Emperor in contemplation of that marriage should give the duchy of Milan to the duke of Orleans." This second overture has "stayed upon the manner of declaring and opening to the Emperor:" for the King would never agree it should be proposed to the Emperor unless Francis would first bind himself to fulfil the two articles abovementioned. "In time of communing whereupon, this truce hath been concluded and the interview taken effect." As to the King's marriage, he "would gladly see the personage with whom he should contract, before he entered a bond of so long continuance as marriage requireth; and therefore desired that the queen of Navarre might repair to Calais with three or four of the noble ladies in France in her company." Francis refused, but offered to send to him any personage he could be content to have. If Francis will send a commission into England, Henry will treat further in the matter "and use more acceleration and fewer delays than hath been used here."

Article vi. May Bonner have copies of the correspondence with the King and Cromwell?

Answer.—When Winchester was made ambassador he did not retain any copies of letters to England. But Bonner may have copies of the letters from England.

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Article vii. Who have the most intelligence of the state of things here; and how shall he get information from them?

Answer.—Ambassadors are reckoned to have the most intelligence; they are generally men of experience. "Wise they be, and without great familiarity they will go about to know what they can and say themself as little as they may; for each one feareth to be noted author of any advertisement." The bishop found Wallop well acquainted "and, as it were, dean and most ancient of ambassadors." In his time made acquaintances, and when he left all the ambassadors resorted to Winchester,—one especially, who has died within the last 15 days. "With all sorts I have used to commune and of divers tales have picked out that hath been lightly (*likely*); but among ambassadors a truth is to be known." Not that all they say is to be believed, but a man of experience will find out that one deserves more credit than another. Therefore, to obtain knowledge he must insinuate himself into their friendship first, "not pretending to search tidings at their hands," for then they will avoid him. Then he should note whether they will talk and devise to tell them news, "and by such means to induce them indirectly to that which apertly they would refuse." "For one thing the world laboreth now chiefly in, to make by secrecy all things uncertain." It is better to fear the worst too much, than to hope for the best with over-confidence, "for, as the old proverb of England is, The best will save itself; the worst had need of provision." In short, the Bishop finds by experience that knowledge of matters depends more on judgment of what is likely than upon any report, although report "confirmeth it well, who can chance upon one that will be so faithful as to report truly. Such I happened on, but he is dead." Has also found others very honest, "who cannot now stand in that stead."

Article viii. How shall Bonner behave to the French king when he meets him and delivers Henry's letters to him, the Constable, the cardinal of Lorayne and the Chancellor?

Answer.—The Bishop and Mr. Thyrleby are commissioned to present Bonner to Francis; and he is to apparel himself "in long gear or short, as they shall be, according as the place appointed for audience shall require." He is to take the King's letters wrapped up in a clean paper, go in company with them and make reverence as they do. When the Bishop has signified the cause of his being sent, he shall take out the King's letters, kiss them and deliver them to Francis, saying the King sends his most hearty recommendations. "The Bishop shall supply the rest for the first access," unless Bonner think good to desire the French king to give him favourable audience. As to the other letters, is to deliver them and, suffering them to be read first, is to ask of the persons addressed to grant him access to them when need shall require, promising to inform the King of their goodness and offering his services.

Article ix. "*In publicis conventibus* what is the order, what place, and of the ceremonies therein?"

Answer.—If he is invited to be present *in publicis conventibus*, he should go, unless he think the King would not allow it. His place is next the Emperor's ambassador and before the king of Portugal['s], The ceremonies are, that the French king will appoint him one "to lead" him and keep his company. "Foresee always that you lose not your place of honour before the king of Portugal."

Article x. In obtaining audience what is the custom?

Answer.—If he wish to obtain audience he must signify as much to the Constable, the Cardinal. or Villandre, or to the manager of affairs for the time being. Is to observe punctually the hour appointed, "for commonly they tarry for no man." He may be a little troubled when commanded to signify something to the French king only; but he must do as he is ordered,

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though "they that shall mayne the affairs will not therewith be best content."

"I cannot tell what I should say further, but in your lodgings abroad, require to be lodged where the ambassadors of England have been lodged. Give some money to the furriers, but not too often. Take heed of picking and stealing, with a diligent foresight and force to remove all matter of occasion. Accommodate yourself to their manner; and observing the premises you shall pass over this your office with satisfaction of your duty and contentation of yourself and them, as far as the diversity of the nation will permit and suffer."

Pp. 23. *Endorsed by Bonner:* The copy of the bp. of Winchester's answers made to my requests, delivered to me at Vieronne,* xx° Augusti.

Add. MS., 21,564, f. 1. B. M.

2. Another copy.

Pp. 21. *With seven lines on the back in Bonner's hand, apparently from some French treatise in which a master iustructs a pupil in* "la maniere de te bien gouverner."

144. Bonner to Cromwell.

Foxe, v. 154.

"A declaration sent by Dr. Bonner to the lord Cromwell," of his complaints against the bp. of Winchester.

Complains (1) that when anyone is sent to him on the King's affairs, the Bp., unless he be the only inventor of the matter, uses many cavillations and shows little cheer to the person sent, discouraging him in his duty. Bonner found this at Rouen, when he was sent to Rome, and at Marseilles when the King's appeal was intimated, as also going lately to Nice touching the General Council and the bp. of Rome's authority; and now, last of all, on his return from Spain, when, notwithstanding the King's letters and Bonner's diligence in coming to him, his conduct was as follows:—

On arriving at Barella (L'Arbresle), a post on this side Lyons, 7 Aug., the bp. being in bed, Bonner waited till he got up. On his coming he gave Bonner welcome and proposed a walk in the fields—in order to have a place where he might speak loud "and triumph alone against me, calling in his words again if he spake any amiss." Asked for Thirleby before he went out, and as he insisted on it the bp. sent for him. He then said, "Master Bonner, your servant was yesterday with me, and as I told him I will tell you: in good faith you can have nothing of me." He said Bonner might have of Thirleby his carriage, mules, bed, and what things he could spare, but nothing of him. He could not give him napery, for none was needed in this country, nor his mulets, because he would require to provide others himself; nor his mulet clothes because his arms were upon them; and when Thirleby came in he repeated "his negatives." Describes their altercations in which Bonner told him that as he should have nothing from him he would thank him for nothing, and the bp. said "You lie;" he told Bonner, not that he should but that he could have nothing of him. Gardiner "repeated oft the provision of the thousand crowns," which Bonner said went in his diets, and said Bonner could make good provision for himself. Bonner said he could have provided for all things necessary at Lyons but for Gardiner's haste to depart thence, whom he was obliged to follow. He also said Gardiner's servant, Mace, had sold a horse to some one else though he knew Bonner's need of one. Gardiner complained of Bonner "squirting in post" after him to trouble everything; on which Bonner said Gardiner was loth to depart, and angry that he should succeed him.

Gardiner then accused him of caring little for the King's honour while living wretchedly with his companion "in yonder parts" on 10*s.* a day. Bonner denied this and said the week at Villa Franca with Brian had cost

* Vierzon.

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him 25*l.* in charges of the house; and that when they were well settled at Nice, Wyat would not rest till he had got them to Villa Franca, "where, even upon the first words of Master Heynes, he was right well content to take of us 20*s.* by the day; which was not during 10 days; whereas, at his coming to us to Nice, himself and all his servants, and then tarrying with us two days, we took not one penny of him. And, moreover, at the departing of Master Wyat from Villa Franca in post into England, we found ourselves, our servants, all Master Wyat's servants, to the number of 16, all his acquaintance, who, dinner and supper, continually came to us, sometimes 12, sometimes 10, and when they were least six or eight; and for this we had not one penny of Master Wyat. And yet at our coming from Barcelona, where we tarried about eight days, we gave to Master Wyat 28 livres, and to his servants 5 livres, besides 40*s.* privately I gave to some, being of gentle fashion, out of mine own purse." Gardiner expressed surprise at this, and mentioned further reports of Bonner's illiberality. At length Bonner desired Gardiner to make an end and instruct him of matters in the French Court; but Gardiner ended not, and Bonner saw him home to his lodging and then went to dine at his own lodging in Mr. Thirleby's chamber, when the bp.'s steward, Myrrel, came for him, and after dinner he returned to the bp., who then offered to provide him mules, mulets, horses, servants, and money. Bonner expressed his surprise that the offer had not been made before, and said he had already sent his servant to Lyons, and others abroad in the town and country to make provision for him. "My Lord," said Bonner, "let me have instructions in the King's matters, and as for other things I shall not ask of you, because this day ye made me so plain answer."

After much communication Bonner "departed from him lovingly," saying he would be that night at Ferrara* where the bp. intended to be lodged. The bp. then took horse, and Bonner passed him on the way, came to Ferrara* and lodged at the posthouse. At the door the bp. said, "We shall see you soon, Master Bonner!" and Bonner, thinking this an invitation to supper, went to him at that time. The bp. appeared glad of his coming, "making merry communications all supper while, but nothing at all yet speaking to me, or giving anything to me, saving, at the coming of the fruit, he gave me a pear, I trow because I should remember mine own country. After supper he walked, taking Master Thirleby with him, and I walked with an Italian, being ambassador for the Count Mirandula; and after a good space we returned and bade the bishop good night."

Never dined or supped with the bp. again till he came to Bourges in Berry, "where upon the depeche of Francis, and closing up of our letters sent to the King's Highness, the supper was so provided and set upon the board, and the Bishop in washing, standing so between me and the door that I could not get out, and there would be needs I should wash with him and sup. And I suppose all the way from Barella to Blois he talked not above four times with me, and at every time, saving at Moulines (where he by mouth told me somewhat of the King's affairs here in France), and at Varron (Vierzon) (when he, answering to my requests in writing, delivered me his book of his own hand† for mine instructions, the copy whereof is now sent herewithal), there was quick communication between us. His talking by the way was with Master Thirleby, who, I think, knoweth a great deal of his doing, and will, if he be the man I take him for, tell it plainly to your Lordship. I myself was out of credence with the Bishop, not being appliable to his manners and desires."

Was told by Thirleby that when he spoke with the bp. at his first coming to Lyons he seemed so well content to return, and that Thirleby had

* Evidently a misprint in Foxe. The place intended is Tarare.

† The handwriting of these instructions (No. 143) is not bp. Gardiner's own, though somewhat like his. It has much resemblance to that of Vaughan.

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come to succeed him "that his flesh in his face began all to tremble, and yet would the Bishop make men believe that he would gladly come home. Which thing, believe it who will, I will never believe; for ever he was looking for letters out of England from Master Wallop and Master Brian, whom he taketh for his great friends. And Master Wyat himself reckoned that the Bishop should have come into Spain, or else my lord of Durham; so that the bishop of Winchester ever coveted to protract the time, desiring yet withal to have some shadow to excuse and hide himself; as, tarrying at Barella he made excuse by my not coming to Lyons; and coming to Varennes,* and there hearing by the ambassadors of the Venetians a flying tale of the going of the French king towards Bayonne to meet the Emperor, by and by he said, "Lo, where is Master Diligence now? If he were now here (as then I was that night), we would to the Court and present him, and take our leave." But when I in the morning was up afore him, and ready to horse, he was nothing hasty. No; coming to Moulines afore him, and there tarrying for him, the French king lying at Schavenna,† three small leagues off, he made not half the speed and haste that he pretended."

Dislikes also in Winchester (1) that he cannot be content to have anyone joined in commission with him and to keep house, but to be at his table; (2) his pomp and glory in having a great number of servants; (3) that he gratifies private hatred to the prejudice of the King's affairs; (4) that here, in this Court of France, he made incomparably more of the Emperor's, king of Portugal's, Venetians', and duke of Ferrara's ambassadors than of any Frenchmen in the Court; which has caused the French to think he favoured not their master but was Imperial; (5) his familiarity with M., as very a papist as any I know. The bp. in his letters to Wyat ever sends special commendations to Mason, and yet refuses to send any to Heynes and Bonner, being with Master Wyat. "And Mason maketh such foundation of the Bishop that he thinketh there is none such; and he told me at Villa Franca that the Bishop, upon a time when he had fallen out with Germain, so trusted him, that weeping and sobbing he came unto him, desiring and praying him that he would speak with Germain and reconcile him, so that no words were spoken of it; and what the matter was he would not tell me: —that young fellow Germain knoweth all." Preston, the bp's. servant, told Bonner at Blois the night before the bp. departed hence that Germain is ever busy showing the King's letters to strangers.

21 Aug. **145.** N. Eliot to Bullinger.

Orig. Letters, (Parker Soc.), 617.

Since our friend Partridge is coming to you, I refer you to him for the state of our affairs here. Your books are wonderfully well received both by the King and Cromwell. This you would have learned from themselves, but that in monarchies where only one individual manages, many things are put off or left undone. Thanks for the letter of Master Matravers to the two Polsteds, whom you have now made my greatest friends. I send gloves by Partridge for you and your wife and mother. Aug. 21, 1538.

146. Nicolas Eliot to Bullinger.

Orig. Letters, (Parker Soc.), 619.

Expresses a deep sense of obligation to Bullinger, in whose house he he has been privileged to live, looking upon him as a master. Urges him to publish his commentaries on Isaiah. Salutations to Theodore Bibliander, Leo Judæ, Pellican, Batt, Binder, and others; also to Bullinger's brother. Master Aut. Honorius, president of the college at Ripen‡ salutes you.

* Varennes sur Allier. † Chevagnes. ‡ In Denmark.

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21 Aug. **147.** RICHARD BP. OF CHICHESTER to MR. WELLES, of Rye.

Cleop. E. v. 296. B. M.

I received, Aug. 17, your letters written on July 26. I am glad that you did not enterprise to sing any service openly in English, and pray you, for the common quietness, to forbear such novelties till it shall please the King to declare his pleasure.

The ministers of the Church, both Latins and Greeks, have sung and said their offices or prayers in the Latin or Greek grammatical tongue, and not in the vulgar; and the people prayed apart in such tongue as they would; and so it is a common prayer of the ministers and people together. Will show you more at our next conference. I wish that all the ministers were learned enough to understand the offices, services, and prayers which they say in Latin. Would have been with you before if I had not been prevented. You were for a good space in such quietness that I was glad of it; till now of late, I perceive that our ghostly enemy travaileth, as he has been at all times wont to do, with his seed of dissension, wherefore we have so much the more need to be vigilant.

Will shortly send an honest man to have the cure there, who, I trust, will preach the word of God purely, and be a means of quietness. I desire you to let me know of anything that may be a means of dissension, and if any person is grieved with the preaching of the man you have there. You write that he has the King's licence and is a denizen. I regard not his country so that he teaches the word of God soberly, charitably, and purely without any innovation of things that are not necessary, till the prince's pleasure be known.

I assure you I do not know that the person you note as a ringleader in these matters, meddled either in word or deed at this time. As you desire to have a concord of religion at my hands, I desire you to tell me what are the special points that are causes of discord, and I trust, with God's help, to quiet it. The King is content that the book lately put out by the prelates should be obeyed and taught till he shall otherwise order, after more mature counsel. Meantime no person ought to reprove the book, for in things concerning religion I suppose the doctrine is true. In other ceremonies, when it shall please the King to order them otherwise, the people shall be taught accordingly. London, 21 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

21 Aug. **148.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Since my arrival I have sent you various letters and cloth for your liveries, which I hope have arrived long since. This day I received of Barthilmew your letter with the two gowns, which are already in hand, and shall be mended according to order. I have delivered to Mr. Skutt 1¾ yds. Lywkes velvet for the upper bodies and placards, and 2¼ yds. of the best black satin for lining the sleeves. He thanks you for the two dozen quails. I have further delivered him 15 yds. Lywkes velvet and a roll of buckram for your gown, and 6 yds. Lywkes velvet for your kirtle, &c. I will bring them with me to Dover. I think the satin Barthilmew delivered to Tong will be made out of hand. I have tarried here all this while for the coming of James, but as my Lord's pleasure is otherwise there is no remedy. I have received of Barthilmew 4*l.* for the travers. I will do my best, but it will be Michaelmas before I can have it; "and then if there be any carpets he hath made me a grant of them." Barthilmew will send you two gowns with the first, or I, after my return from Court. As to the spoon, my Lord's pleasure must be fulfilled. Mr. Basset has received his chest, and no doubt will save his apparel well. I think the matter you willed me to remember to him can be remedied. As for the tassel, I hear nothing of Mr. Yeo. Will. Sendy knows it were folly to write to me if he displease

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your ladyship. I send three letters that came out of Devonshire. John Gough wants his reward. He owes money to Mr. Thos. Fowler, and has written to Mr. Fowler to receive it of your ladyship. London, 21 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

21 Aug. **149.** JOHN BABYNGTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. I write at the suit of William Senewes, the bearer, associated with Robert Nevylle, provost, and two others, all priests, in the college of Rotheram, Yorksh. At present he has his living by music, in the said church; but, being no priest, can get no promotion there, and thinks he might employ his time better, and pay off the debts which, by the wrongful procurement of that country, he lately incurred to save his life. To this end he desires you to tender his suit to the said provost for the vacant farm of Laxton, near me here in Notts, appropriated to the said college, that he may have it under the college seal for 40 years. Kynston, Notts., 21 Aug. *Signed.*

P.S. *in his own hand:* Touching the letter for the parsonage of Gottham for the vicar of Lenton; my cousin, the parson,* is at your command.

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Aug. **150.** RICHARD COLYNSON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has delivered to Dr. Cliff, treasurer of York,† Cromwell's letters in his favour for the quiet occupation of the farm of Shurburne, granted him by his brother the late treasurer‡ and the chapter. The bearer can show the grant. The treasurer refuses to obey Cromwell's letters, saying he has promised the farm to Mr. Henry Ryder, a man of great influence here, who does not need it. Begs Cromwell will write again both to the treasurer and Mr. Ryder. York, 21 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Aug. **151.** SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter, dated Arundel, 17th inst., saying that the King has taken ill his choice of Wm. Johnson as mayor. He is neither stranger born nor denizen. Denies that he (Wingfield) has used such demeanor as should cause him to be esteemed heady. Those who have given Cromwell such information should be punished. Does not deserve to be reproved or condemned without answer. Calais, 21 Aug. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd. Sealed.*

21 Aug. **152.** COUNCIL OF IRELAND to HENRY VIII.

R. O. "I, your Grace's deputy, having received by your Chief Justice and
St. P. III. 69. Master of your Rolls your most gracious letters," and we, Ormond and Butler, the like, have conformed ourselves together in amity.

Are at peace with all the borderers, but suspect the confederacy of O'Neill and O'Donell, who have with them Kildare's son Gerald and that rabble of traitors. Want artillery and furniture to exact hostages of those of the North. In this last journey, I, your deputy, received hostages of this new O'Karell, Okynnady, Mac Inny Brene Arry, Dermot O'Mulryan, Tibbot de Burgo, Hugh Oflarte, Thos. MacYoris, Hugh O'Madden and Malaghlyn O'Madden,

* Thomas Babyngton. *See* Valor Eccl. v. 169.
† William Clyff, treasurer of York, installed in April 1538.
‡ Lancelot Colyns or Colynson.

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of each of them a son; of O'Chonor Roo, a horseman; of O'Brene, his son Tirrelagh, who remains with the pretended earl of Desmond, for peace until Lammas next; and of Donogh O'Brene, one of his sons, who remains with the mayor of Limerick. Beg artillery and money, and send estimate to the lord Privy Seal. Lord Trimletiston, the Chancellor, is dead. Recommend the Master of the Rolls for his room. The late Commissioners can show who are meet for the office. Dublin, 21 Aug. *Signed:** Georgius Dublin.—P. Ormond and Oss'.—James Butler, Thesaurer—Willm. Brabazon—Gerald Aylmer, justice—John Alen—Richard Delahid, baron.

Not addressed.

22 Aug. **153.** CLATTERCOTE PRIORY.

Close Roll, p. 2, No. 33. Rymer, XIV. 616.

Surrender (by Robt. bishop of Llandaff, commendatory master of the order of Sempyngham and by the prior and convent) of the monastery and all its possesions in cos. Oxon., Ntht., Bucks, Glouc., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 22 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

22 Aug. **154.** ROBT. RUGGE and ROBT. PALMAR, Sheriffs of Norwich, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Received this 22nd Aug. his letter dated Arundell Castle, the 18th, ordering them to stay the execution of Ric. Sharpe, a friar condemned of high treason. Their office endures till Michaelmas, and as there is no time mentioned in the letter for his safe keeping, if they do not execute him before that time, they will forfeit 100*l.* Wish to know his further pleasure for their indemnity. Norwich, 22 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

22 Aug. **155.** THOMAS BENET, Priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

This hour, 12 p.m., Dr. Parkar, chancellor of Sarum, is suddenly deceased, intestate as I hear. Sarum, in my bed at midnight, between the 21st and 22nd Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

22 Aug. **156.** THE COUNCIL OF THE NORTH to HENRY VIII.

R. O.

Have given continual attendance at York since 22 July in hearing complaints of these parts, and a great number of causes have been put in good stay. During this time the justices have kept the assizes at York Castle, where they were accompanied by lords Scrope and Latimer. Three persons were condemned of high treason, viz., Thos. Millar, late called Lancaster, the vicar of Newark, called Henry Litherland, and Robert Morebye, a monk of Fountains, besides whom 15 others suffered for robberies and felonies. The earl of Cumberland was so ill that he could not attend the assizes. The King will see the state of the marches by two letters enclosed, one sent to Sir Reynold Carnaby by his father, the other sent to us, with the copy of a proclamation, from Sir Thomas Wharton, deputy warden of the West Marches. Fear they cannot do what they wished in the administration of justice this winter, owing to the plague at Durham and Newcastle-on-Tyne, but will go as near those parts as they can at Michaelmas. York, 22 Aug. *Signed by* Robt. bishop of Llandaff, T. Magnus, Sir M. Constable, Sir Ralph Ellerkar, jun., Fairfax, Robt. Bowis, Wm. Babthorp, Robt. Chaloner, Richard Bellycys, and Jo. Uvedale.

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

* Blank space left for the Deputy's signature.

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22 Aug. **157.** The Council of the North to Cromwell.

Calig. B. III. 280. B. M.

Have written to the King of their proceedings, enclosing two lettters from Sir Thos. Whartton and from Sir Reynold Carnaby, with a proclamation. York, 22 Aug. *Signed:* "Robt. Landaffe—T. Magnus—M. Constable—Rauf. Ellerkar, younger k.—Fairfax—Robert Bowis—Willm. Babthorpe—Robt. Chaloner—Rychard Bellycys—Jo. Uvedale."

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd. by Wriothesley:* "From the Council of the North." *Endorsed by Agarde:* "Scs. 3 Nov. 1610."

22 Aug. **158.** Capture of a Breton Ship.

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22 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.—Wm. Scarlet, clothworker of London, examined by Sir John Gressham, one of the sheriffs, and Edw. Hall, undersheriff of London, says that in the beginning of June last Henry Davy, merchant, freighted a ship, the *Clement*, of London, owner one Grenebury, of Thames Street, for the Bay in Breteyne, and left London with one Lyllyk as master and examinate as purser. They had seven men. Near Margate they received nine more persons. Sailed westward to the Camber, where they took in four more persons; but a Flemish ship of war being in the Camber, they crossed to the coast of Normandy. In the "mayne" sea encountered three Breton merchantmen. Then Henry Davy and Lyllyk said they had lost 60*l.* in goods by Breton pirates, and could get no redress in France, and so proposed to take one of the three merchantmen. Did so, and put the mariners ashore in a boat, and brought the goods into their own ship. One Cornelys and four mariners then went away in the Breton ship. The *Clement* sailed to Peryn, in Cornwall, and there sold the wares taken from the Breton, Henry Davy receiving 17*l.*, the master, mate, quartermaster, and purser 30*s.*, and the mariners 20*s.* apiece. Lyllyk, Brown, and eight of the mariners then departed, and Davy, Scarlet, Leveret the carpenter, Nich. Went, and John —— (*blank*) brought the *Clement* back to the Thames and delivered her to the wife of the owner. *Signed:* Wyllym Scarlet.

ii. Nich. Went, of St. Katharine's, London, mariner, examined as before; gives similar story. When the crew were minded to take the Breton ship, and asked if he would do as they did, he said "No," and was above the hatches tackling the sails when they entered the Breton ship.

Large paper, pp. 2.

22 Aug. **159.** Brabazon, Aylmer and Alen to Henry VIII.

R. O.

Aylmer and Alen arrived, as they wrote to the lord Privy Seal, on St. Margaret's Day. The Deputy had not been here for six weeks, but was at Galway and the Council knew not the intent of his journey. The Council had agreed to a journey in revenge of hurts done in Uriell, and the murder of Kelway by the Tholes, when the Deputy said he would go for eight days to speak with Desmond and O'Breen and be back in time for the said journey. He came not, and the Council had to make truce with the malefactors. Know not the success of the journey, but think it not worth commendation as they have written to the lord Privy Seal. If these malefactors here under our nose had been first corrected and then his Lordship had undertaken a journey by advice of the Council and properly furnished, it had deserved praise.

On his return hither they delivered the King's letters, which he promised to follow. Tarried with him certain days as they have heretofore written to the lord Privy Seal. Delivered also to Ormond and Butler the King's letters for redress of their variance with the Deputy, to which they conformed "very

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159. Brabazon, Aylmer and Alen to Cromwell—*cont.*

obediently." Perused the books of griefs which the one had against the other, and gave a decison.

The Geraldines are sore exalted, and ONeill, Kildare's sister's son, and ODonell, who has married Kildare's sister, rule all the North. Young Gerald and "those traitors" are with ONeill and expect help out of Scotland. Think the King should make some provision with the king of Scots touching these traitors and also "concerning these Rome runners which have common passage through his realm." Have taken of late the dean of Dirry, of ODonell's country, who has by commendation of the king of Scots obtained the bpric. of Rapotensis here and confesses that ODonell has now messengers in Scotland to obtain battery pieces. Must dissemble hurts done by the borderers for they lack artillery and money, and the soldiers' wages as it is are too small. Dublin, 22 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

22 Aug. **160.** Brabazon, Aylmer and Alen to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. III. 71.

Wrote by Thomas Johns that they had written to Ormond and his son to repair hither. They have now been here 12 or 14 days. Ormond (who is now but a consumed man and cannot live long) came first, saying he left his son to defend his lands against Desmond and OKarroll, who, since the Deputy's being in those quarters, had moved war against them. Moved the Deputy to write to these persons to keep the peace: which he did, and Butler came hither. Ormond and Butler feared to go to the Deputy unaccompanied by others of the Council (for he had called them traitors and said he would set their heads on the top of their own castles). The Deputy was so wilful that he insisted on the Council assembling at Maynooth, where there was no lodging. At length he was induced to come to Kilmainham. There in the Great Chamber the Deputy received them (Ormond and Butler), but "neither took them by the hands ne gave them good countenance." Before that the writers had moved the Deputy for proofs of their treasons and he had shown them papers (described) implicating them with OChonor. Make light of the papers, and of the confession of those of Moderynny that Butler had provided them with powder to resist the Deputy, which really was to resist Okarvaile.

Next day the Deputy delivered his book of griefs and Ormond his, and each desired to see and answer the other's book. As the Deputy was a party they desired him to withdraw, whereat he was somewhat grieved, but it is no new thing. The Deputy's book seemed to have been recently made. The Earl's book contained such heinous matter against the Deputy that the writers concluded to show neither of them the other's books, but make an order in writing (copy enclosed). Afterwards the Deputy was very determined to see the Earl's book, and they had to send for Justice Howth to pacify him. Finally they burned both books in presence of the said justice; but they had first taken copies of the same (enclosed). Have asked Ormond and his son for proof of their book, and they say that most of it is notorious and needs no further proof. The Deputy not meet to make long abode here, being "so hawte and chafing."

As to this journey, none of the Council knew he would go further than OKarroll's country, and more profitable journeys might have been made nearer home. OBrene or Desmond might have taken him prisoner, his company was so small. Desmond would not come to him in any walled town, and had OConnor and the Irish captains sworn to take his part if the Deputy should do any violence to him. They say the Deputy had to promise him castles and lands before he would condescend to come; and indeed he has lately entered into the King's manors of Crom and Adair.

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OBrene's pledge worth nothing and could not be got from Desmond if required. In going to OBrene's bridge he had a good company of Limerick citizens. OBrene and Desmond kept not their promises, lay one on each side and Morough OBrene in front ready to attack, so that OChonor and all the sage men of the band required him to retreat, and Edmund Sexton, seeing his wilfulness, commanded him on his allegiance to do so. But he went on and escaped, because Donough OBrene would not allow his uncle to attack the King's deputy. After he had broken part of one of the castles and cast down the arches of the bridge which had not been washed away by the flood, OBrene and Desmond joined him. Dangerous passage through Thomond, where Donough OBrene prevented Morgho from following them. Do not commend the deposing of MacWilliam without cause and giving his superiority to Ulicke de Burgo, who is a Geraldine and bastard. The pledges taken from the Irishmen are but boys.

Learn the above from Ormond, Butler, and the soldiers who were there. Will examine Gormanston, Darcy and other gentlemen and think their report will be much the same. They were not consulted, the chief advisers being OChonor, Apparry, MacGerald and Prior Walshe; even OChonor's advice was not always followed. The grounds of the journey were covetousness and disdain of Ormond and Butler.

Must dissemble their hurts to them of Ferney and the Tholes. The Deputy says he lacks money (wherein we believe him not) and artillery to make any journey; beg for artillery and money. The garrison of Rathmore which Kelway had is an important defence against the Tholes: the appointment of a constable might be referred to the Commissioners and Council. Have delivered the King's letters to OConnor and think his petitions should be granted. Also OMore being put at liberty they have delivered the like to him and to MacGilpatric and Chair OChonor and find them conformable. The Commissioners must bring their submissions and the indentures, in lady Skeffington's keeping, of many Irishmen. Dublin, 22 Aug. *Signed.*

Endd.: To my L. P. S.

R. O. St. P. III. 81. 2. "The copy of the Council's order betwixt my lord Deputy and the earl of Ormond and lord Butler," which both parties have sworn to observe, after laying their grievances before Aylmer and Alen and others of the Council, viz.:—(1, 2) Ormond and Butler to obey reasonable orders, (3) the Deputy to give only lawful commands and, except on an emergency, only by the King's writ or by an order signed by three of the Council, (4) to restore Moderyn if Ormond prove a better title than OKarvaile, and (5) to cause the late OMore's sons to restore the prey they made on the Earl's lands of Woghteryn or else give pledges to Maurice Keting and Alex. MacTirrelagh for as much of the same as shall be proved before Wm. Ewstace, of the Wood, and Davy Sutton, (6) spoils done by OMore's sons in Tulloghe in Ofelym and other lands of Ormond's. The Earl's challenges to OKarvayle and their challenges against the Earl to be referred to arbiters. 20 Aug. 30 Henry VIII.

*** An imperfect copy of this order is contained in Lambeth MS., 603, f. 84. [*See* Carew Calendar, No. 131.]

R. O. St. P. III. 74. 3. "The copy of my lord Deputy's book against the earl of Ormond and his sons."

In the journey to OBrene's bridge they did not their duties. In all other journeys they have failed to keep their appointments. They have refused to deliver Irish hostages, have attacked Irishmen doing the King service, as the late OMore, OMore's sons, Kayre Roo OByrne and the like. Instances of Richard Butler's disobeying orders and of Ossory's succouring and maintaining Brian OChonor when a traitor. *Signed by Brabazon, Aylmer, Alen and Delahide.*

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R. O. St. P. III. 77. 4. Copy of Ormond's book against the lord Deputy. The Deputy supports those who were great offenders in Kildare's rebellion and annoys Ormond and such as then served the King. He cherishes Fergananym OKerroll, James of Desmond and OMore's sons (*very circumstantial*). Dangers from ONeil and others. *Signed by Brabazon, Aylmer, Alen and Delahide.*

22 Aug. **161.** LORD LISLE to the EARL OF SOUTHAMPTON.

R. O. Since my last letters to you in favour of Thos. Bradfelde for the office of sergeant royal in the county of Guisnes, I have remembered a variance between Henry Palmer, bailly, and the freemen of Guisnes, on the one part, and a servant of the lord Chamberlain, who claimed the office, on the other, to settle which a commission was sent to me and others of the Council, and we found by the oaths of honest ancient persons and by a privy seal which the bearer can show you, that the making of the said sergeant royal and other officers of the law, except the bailly, belongs to the bailly and freemen. We certified the King of this by letters to my lord Privy Seal, and the order was confirmed by the King and Council. The bailly and freemen then "expulsed" the lord Chamberlain's servant and admitted another poor honest man, who had done the King good service, and continues in the office without fault or misdemeanor. If the King wishes the bailly and freemen no longer to have the ordering thereof, I wish you would prefer Bradfelde before Bernard Grete, who has "demeaned himself but homely." Calais, 22 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* High Admiral of England.

22 Aug. **162.** SIR CLEMENT WEST to [CROMWELL].

Otho, C. IX., 121.* B. M. To the same effect as his letter to the King, No. 87.

"Now, or I cowde clozse thys, departyd an Aragozse schyp ffor . . . . . can schew all off Barba rows, which ys the xij August M[l][V[c]xxxviij].

P.S.—"Contenuyd tyll now opyn, wyth owght ony mor spekyng . . . . . made or othyr nuys off serteyn. Her ys dayly seynges al . . . . . [a]geynst Inglond, to the whych wyll not consent. Venys . . . . . nys yff ony good they porpozse to do thys yer can bo . . . . . hyr be lyke but to recovyr sum plasys yn Barbary, why[ch the T]orkes holdes a geynst the Kyng off Tonys." Malta, 22 Aug. "ut supra."

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated. Endd.*

— Aug. **163.** ROBT. NOYSE to CROMWELL.

R. O. An account of the injuries done to him by Sir Thos. Lyll and his servants. On 21 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., Hen. Wryte, Lyll's servant, trespassed on his ground with a hawk, and during the altercation which ensued on Noyse's ordering him off, said "The King hath made thee a yeoman of the Crown, he had been as good to set a horseshoe there as a crown."

Next day he came, with John Lyle and Mr. Dycker, and a scuffle took place, in which Noyse's wife and children were beaten, and when his servants came to rescue him, the trespassers delivered him the King's writ.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Aug. **164.** CRANMER to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. v. 212. B. M. Burnet, VI. 165. C.'s Letters 379. As the German orators, when they agreed to tarry one month, required that we should go forth in their book and treat of the abuses, "so that the same might be set forth in writing as the other articles are," I have since moved the Bishops thereto. But they say that they know that the King has taken upon himself to answer the said orators in that behalf, and has already devised a book thereof. They are therefore afraid to write contrary

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to the King, and have accordingly desired me to treat of the Sacraments of matrimony, orders, confirmation, and extreme unction; "wherein they know certainly that the Germans will not agree with us, except it be in matrimony only." Perceives the Bishops seek occasion to break the concord, and nothing will be done unless the King's commandment be directed to them therein; for they see that they cannot defend the abuses, "and yet they would in no wise grant unto them." Understands the German orators are very ill lodged. Rats run about their chambers, and the kitchen is too close to the parlour.

Reminded Cromwell lately about the suppression of the abbey of Tudberye. Desires that commissions be sent not only to that house but to Rochester and Crockesdon, and begs a lease of one of these houses for his servant, Fras. Basset. Lambeth, 23 Aug. *Signed.*

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165. [HENRY VIII. to the GERMAN AMBASSADORS.]

Cleop. E. v. 215. B. M. Burnet, IV. 373. In reply to their letter [No. 37]. As they do not seem to disdain his opinion, declares his own view on the three articles. Gives reasons in opposition to theirs on each head at very great length; but will take counsel more fully with his divines and ordain what seems right for the glory of Christ. Will be glad to see them before they leave and give them letters to their princes.

Lat., pp. 22.

Ib. f. 134. 2. Copy of the section of the preceding *De utraque specie.*

Lat., pp. 12.

R. O. 3. Draft of § 2, with corrections in the King's own hand, and also in Tunstall's.

Pp. 8. *Endd.*

166. THEOLOGY.

R. O. Arguments from the Fathers touching the Eucharist, continence, and communion under one kind.

Lat., pp. 18, *with some blank pages between. Begins:* Eucharistiam sub altera specie ægroto datam fuisse.

R. O. 2. A paper *de Utraque Specie Communionis*, showing reasons why it is not necessary.

Lat., pp. 5. *In the same hand as the preceding. A leaf containing additional matter has been cut away all but the edge.*
Begins: Si contendat quispiam.

R. O. 3. Another paper on the same subject, in the same hand as the preceding, headed:—*Populum sub una panis specie communicare recte posse.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd. Begins:* Paulus Apostolus scribens ad Corinthios.

R. O. 4. A tract *de Missa privata* with corrections and marginal notes in Henry VIII.'s handwriting.

Lat., pp. 24. *Begins:* Cum apud Judæos. *Endd.*

R. O. 5. A treatise in three sections, *de Fide, de Operibus*, and *de Ceremoniis*, in the course of which the writer advocates fasts and confessions, declares the marriage of the clergy unlawful, defends Purgatory, denounces indulgences of the bishop of Rome, and favours the use of images, provided the people are taught to abhor idolatry.

Lat., pp. 10. *Apparently in a German hand. Begins:* Fides est solida petra. *Ends:* quæ jam longissimo usu receptæ sunt. *Endd.*

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166. THEOLOGY—*cont.*

R. O. 6. Three articles, viz., *de Penitentia*, *de Fide*, and *de Justificatione*, mainly as to their bearing upon baptism, without which the efficacy both of penitence and faith is imperfect.

Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 7. A statement of 15 difficulties in the New Testament.

Lat., pp. 10 (*small quarto*). *Endd. inaccurately in Sadler's hand:* An explicacion of certain doubts in the New Testament.

R. O. 8. Extracts from the Fathers in support of Transubstantiation.

In two different hands. Lat., pp. 4 (*small quarto*). *Endd.:* de Cœna Domini.

167. GREEK and HEBREW.

R. O. A glossary of Hebrew terms with Latin explanations.

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R. O. 2. A similar glossary of Greek words.

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23 Aug. **168.** SIR RIC. RYCHE to the KING'S AUDITOR AND RECEIVER OF SUPPRESSED LANDS in cos. Worc., Heref., Salop, and Staff.

Add. MS. 11,041, f. 12. B. M. Instructs them to survey all monastic lands surrendered to the King in cos. Worc., Heref., Staff., and Shropshire, or that shall hereafter be surrendered, giving the true yearly value, deducting all "rents resolutes," pensions, &c., by their discretions, but leaving the final determination to the Court of Augmentation; to examine what other fees, corrodies, &c., have been granted, and certify the Chancellor of Augmentation, and to examine bailiffs' accounts, &c., from the time of each surrender or suppression, to make sale of the bells and superfluous houses, and have the lead melted into "plokes" and sows, weighed and marked with the King's marks, and delivered under indenture to the constables of neighbouring castles. Lyghes, 23 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 2. *Endd. in modern hand:* Richard Ryche to John Scudamore, Esq.

23 Aug. **169.** RIC. BP. OF DOVER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Trusts next week to send the whole substance of his business. Is now at Ludlow. Has been to Denbyth, Bangor, Landvase, Rudlonde, Westchester, Newcastle-under-Lyme, and Schrewysbery, and visited 13 convents, leaving but one standing, the Black Friars of Shrewsbury. Much suit will be made to have it stand still, especially by one of the bailiffs, Master Adam a Mytton, who made the Bishop great cheer for Cromwell's sake. At the Austin Friars in the same town there was no one but a poor prior and two Irishmen, and everything sold and pledged, even the chalice, and no man would trust them for one. Hears that "that man" (the prior) is come up to make suit to have the house. It were pity he should have it. Has only had one letter from Cromwell since he left. His servant has been sick so that he had none to send. Will send him next week with some books of certain convents. Trusts Cromwell will be good lord for the warrants for such friars as give up their houses to be had at his coming, which will be the week after Holy Rood. 23 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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23 Aug. **170.** Ric. Bp. of Dover to Latimer.

R. O. Since speaking with him has been at Brygenorth, Aderyston, Lychefylde, Stafforde, Newcastell under Lyne, Westchester, Rudlonde, Denbyth, Bangor, Bewmares, Schreuysbery, and Ludlowe, in which he has visited 18 places, and left but one standing. Has not heard from my lord Privy Seal, and is anxious to know how he takes the matter of the houses he had already put down before Latimer came to London, and of the putting down of Worcester, of which he gave Latimer a certificate, "and any other good comfort that ye have of setting forward of the Word of God and the maintenance of the same." 23 Aug.

The friars in these parts, where he has been, have many favourers, and great labour is made for their continuance. Divers trust to see them set up again, and some have gone up to sue for them. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

23 Aug. **171.** Friars of Ludlow.

R. O. Surrender of the Austin Friars of Ludlow, 23 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Per me Egidium Pycaryng, priorem Augustinencium de Ludlow—Per me fratrem Johannem Pratt—Per me fratrem Willelmum Higges—Per me fratem Christoferum Hogeson—By hus, the baylyffis of Ludlow, Wyllm. Yevans and Thomas Whelar.

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R. O. 2. Inventory of the Austin Friars of Ludlow, delivered to Wm. Yevans and Thos. Wheler, bailiffs there.

The sextry.—A chasuble and 2 "tenacles" of gold with 2 albs. 2 single vestments of black worsted and blue damask. 2 old copes. A silk cope with stars. A fair coffer. A chasuble and "tenacle" of old black velvet.

The quire.—2 old altar cloths. A holy water stoup, laten. A desk of timber. 6 stained old altar cloths. The choir new stalled. 2 fair bells and a little bell in the steeple.

The hall, buttery, and kitchen.—A little table. 2 trestles and a form. 2 old cupboards. A pan, a kettle and other utensils. A box full of evidence.

In the visitor's hands a chalice weighing 13 oz. In pledge a copper cross, 129 oz., for which the visitor paid, for the friars, 6*l.* 14*s.* 1*d.* *Signatures of the bailiffs in same hand as the text.*

P. 1. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* Non led in renttes yerly iiij. li. above the ceterentes (quitrents).

R. O. 3. Surrender of the White Friars of Ludlow, 23 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed (the two first with marks):* Fryer Richarde Wyllet—Fryer Humfre Wenlocke—Frater Patricius Lester—Frater Wyll'mus Burges—Frater Ricardus Fernoll——By hus, the bayllyffs of Ludlow, Wyllm. Yevans and Thomas Whelar.

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R. O. 4. Inventory of the White Friars of Ludlow, delivered to Wm. Yevans and Thos. Wheler, bailiffs there.

The choir.—Altar cloths. An old pax with a rose. Laten candlesticks. Lead and iron frames for tapers. A fair mass book, written. A sacry bell. 2 lecterns. An image of Our [Lady] a Pyte (of Pity) for the Sacrament. 3 bells in the steeple. The choir well stalled, &c.

The church.—2 tables of alabaster. 3 pews of timber. A long piece of timber for a crane. A pulpit, and a form. A tomb of alabaster grated with iron.

The utter sextry.—2 old almerys and an old chest. An old cloth of arras.

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The inner sextry.—7 copes, red and motley velvet and coarse damask. Chasubles, some with deacons' and subdeacons' vestments of yellow damask, coarse silk, blue and white, with Stafford knots, blue velvet with Griffith's knots, green silk with "oystres" feathers. 11 corporas cases. A cloth to hang before the rood, &c.

The fermery.—2 new parcloses, a table, 2 trestles, and 2 forms. A bedstead.

The buttery and kitchen.—A few cooking utensils.

The prior's chamber.—Red and green say hangings, a carpet, an almery, a table, a pair of trestles, 2 forms.

The upper chamber.—A bedstead, a table, 2 trestles, and a form. An old stained cloth A fair long coffer.

The other chambers.—A feather bed and bolster, a coverlet and pair of sheets, a little board, and two forms.

A little cachet full of evidence. In the visitor's hands a chalice and cross, 71 oz. In pledge a broken censer, a chalice, a ship with a velvet cope, for which the visitor paid 7*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* The visitor paid, besides, 2*s.* 8*d.*

Pp. 3. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* None lead, nor none rents but the garden.

R. O. 5. Another copy of § 2 with signatures of Evans and Wheler in the same in the same hand as the text.

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R. O. 6. Another copy of § 4 with signatures of Evans ("Yevans" here) and Wheler in same hand as the text.

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23 Aug. **172.** John Alen to Wriothesley.

R. O. St. P. III. 87. Thanks for kindness when last in England. Sends by bearer, Edw. Becke, a dozen martirne skins. Mr. Treasurer, Mr. Justice, and Alen have written to the lord Privy Seal touching affairs. Concerning the Chancellor's room, "seeing that here is almost no election of persons thereto," if Alen is appointed it will be against his will, and he begs to be so handled about the fee that he may be able to serve the King. Commendations to Wriothesley's wife and Mr. Solymont. Dublin, 23 Aug.

Thanks for getting his bill signed of the gift of lands, in lieu of the 40 mks. Fitzwilliam had from him. The Deputy, hearing from Martin Pelles that my brother shall be constable of Maynooth, takes it grievously. Were it not for things you know I would not dissemble, but now I deny it. "He smoketh at Talbotte's gift. It grieveth him that any man should have anything of the King but himself."

Hol. Add. Endd.

23 Aug. **173.** Anne Rouaud (Madame de Bours) to Lady Lisle.

R. O. I am glad the bearer passed this way, so that I can thank you for your letters. You could not do me a greater pleasure than let me hear often from you, since I cannot see you. Montmorency is much obliged to you for the greyhound you sent him, which he has not yet tried. I often wish your daughter was with me. I fear she will think I have forgotten her. I would have written to her if the bearer had not been so hurried. Recommend me to my Lord. Montmorency, Mons. Dazincourt, and my daughter have been here some time, and desire to be recommended. They ask you to send a large, powerful, English greyhound. Gaissart, 23 Aug.

I beg the second reader (*le second liseur*) to give my recommendations to your children, and especially to "Mademoiselle ma bonne fille."

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* a Calais.

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24 Aug. **174.** Princess Mary to [Cromwell].

Otho C. x. 286. B. M. Hearne's Sylloge, 135.

"My Lord," I received your letters by bearer, and perceive the King's pleasure touching my communication to the Emperor's ambassadors when they shall come to visit the Prince, my brother;" "which thing," although I would have been loth to speak of, considering myself a young maid and willing to continue so, I shall fulfil, and will write their answer as soon as they depart. Meanwhile will not forget the King's goodness "in esteeming my bestowing more than I have or shall deserve." Portgore, St. Bartholomew's Day, after dinner.

Hol., mutilated.

24 Aug. **175.** Thos. Derbye to Thomas Soulemont.

R. O.

As he cannot conveniently come to the Court, sends his servant to know whether there is any suit made for the friars' houses, and if it is necessary for him to make great speed about his own suit. Expects to be with him at Dover. His wife sends recommendations, and asks Soulemont to send her venison if possible. She brawls with her husband because he got her none, nor a warrant, when at the Court. Desires to be recommended to Wriothesley and Dr. Bellowes. London, St. Bartholomew's Day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*: With my lord Privy Seal at the Court. *Endd.*

24 Aug. **176.** John Atkinson, Priest, to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

I hoped to have seen my Lord and your Ladyship this summer, but my lord Chamberlain has been keeping household in my house at Mottesfont ever since the beginning of May, and I think will continue till All Hallowtide to oversee his works there. He makes a goodly place of the priory and intends to lie there most of his life. I and others will be glad to see you in Hampshire. Mottesfont, St. Bartholomew's Day.

Hol. p. 1. *Add.:* At Calais.

24 Aug. **177.** Sir Wm. Penison to [Cromwell].

Vesp. C. xiv. 79. B. M. Ellis, 1st Ser. II. 107.

Yesternight soon after 6 o'clock I delivered your letter to my lord Mayor, who determined this morning at 9 o'clock to present to my lady of Motrell, first, of great pikes 10, carpes 10, great eels, fresh, 10, and a portion of fresh salmon and sturgeon, tenches, breams, and all other such "good fishes" as can be gotten, sugar loaves 10, torches 10, and white wine and claret during the time of her abiding, at dinners and suppers in flagons, as if it were sent in hogsheads it would be unfined and unmete to drink so soon. Touching their lodging at my lord Mayor's, he is sorry he cannot provide them, as St. Bartholomew's Day is so near,* when he shall have "resort of suitors;" however, in case they shall require it, we will this day provide a meet lodging. On Sunday next my lord Mayor intends to make a dinner for her and her train, where will also be the French ambassador. This settled, I went to visit her, and according to your command duly saluted her, when she thanked the King that he, so noble a prince, should send to visit her, so infime and low a personage. After this, she brought me into her chamber with her ladies, eight or nine, among whom were my lady Brown and one who was sometime wife to one of the French king's carvers, amongst which gentlewomen were "one or two indifferent fair." She said she had remained in Scotland by the French king's appointment since she brought thither the Queen who last died;† and told me of her good cheer there, which was "not exceeding." She had not seen the King nor much company till the coming of the last Queen. "The old Queen had no good days after her

* The date at the end of the letter (24 August) is St. Bartholomew's Day itself.
† Madeleine.

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177. Sir Wm. Penison to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

arrival there, but always sickly with a catarrh which descended into her stomach, which was the cause of her death." She said this Queen liked France better than Scotland. She praised the pleasantness of England, and showed how she went yesterday to Chelsea with the French ambassador, and on their return saw the house of Bridewell. The ambassador promised she should see York Place, far fairer. On Monday next she intends to leave for France. Howbeit she said she had recommendations from the queen of Scots to the King if she might see his Grace. On taking leave, I said her lodging was too small and that a better should be provided her. She said that for so short a space she would not remove. Thus I took leave, purposing to be this morning with my lord Mayor to fix a lodging for her, and after dinner to see if she would be otherwise minded. Please send by bearer your further pleasure. London, 24 August.

Commencès "Right honourable and my singular good lord."

24 Aug. **178.** Rafe Sadleyr to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. I. 580.

Read Penison's letter to the King, stating that the lady of Motrell was going to France on Monday next, and had letters of recommendation to the King from the queen of Scots. The King wishes Cromwell to stay her at Dover, so that he may see her. He intends to be there two days earlier than appointed by his "jestes."

Has sent the letters signed for the despatch of Don Diego and other bills to be signed. Sends the letter to the queen of Scots signed. Eryge, St. Bartholomew's Day, 8 p.m.

Hol. Add.: Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Aug. **179.** Nicolas Kracerus to Cromwell.

Vit. B. XIV. 276. B. M.

"Magnifico domino privato (*sic*) sig[illi suus] humillimus Nicolaus Kracerus.

"Heri duo opuscula cum literis a nauta acc[epi, quæ] . . . . . torius Spalentinus ad me missit ut vestræ [magnificentiæ] presentarem. Hæc Joanni Holbein dedi ut vobis [daret.] Quæ scripta dua in manibus Gabrielis Ste . . . . . Antuerpiæ retentta sunt ut michi mittere . . . . . ob rumorem a Papistis spersam, qui nos . . . . . statum redactum affirmarunt. Hujus contrarium ill. . . . . apparet, scripsitque literas ad Cantueriensem [archiepiscopum] et suo archidiacono, quas literas illis nu . . . . . missitque literas episcopo Dulmensi (*sic*), has cum vestris . . . . . quo iste nunc in Curia regis r . . . est cujus . . . . . Wormatiæ habuit. Nulla nova e German[ia] . . . . . nisi Turcam proxima æstate venturum esse dic[unt, quod] Papistæ maxime optant ut Lutheriani ab il[lo] punerentur (*sic*). Episcopus Romanus pro militibus ad Hel[vetiam] missit. Hujus cau[sa] ipsi congregati fuerunt. Cred[itur tamen eum] paucos ab illis habere. Hos milites conte . . . . . nesses uti vult quod alii contrario judica[nt] . . . . . plus discordiam studet ut semper hujus oper- . . . . . annis fuit. Nulla alia nisi magnificenti[a vestra] pauperrimum Nicolaum rememorat ut aliqu[anto] felicius vivere possum. Quo nunc uxorem h[abeo] Cristiana nomine, filiam Fide nomine, itaque [sperandum] est ut semper Christianam fidem domi h[abeam] . . . . . uxor mea in die Assumptionis Mari[æ alteram] filiam Mariæ peperit, unde plus th . . . . . quam astronomus videat, omnia ista . . . . . [in]tertenuit. Ob id auxilium a vestra [Magnifice]ntia peto, ut in aliqua re melius [vivere po]ssem. Solicitavit apud vos Franciscus [Burgratus Cance]llarius ducis Saxoniæ pro me ut habita . . . . . priam haberem. Utinam domuncula

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in . . . . . habito mea esset, pro qua annuatim . . . . . dos persolva[m]. Quod vestra magnificentia [non si]m molestus me vobis commendo semper [vestrum hum]illimum ministrum reperiertis. Cum hiis . . . . . , . . . præstantia vestra. Datum Lunduni, in [festo Sancti] Bartholomei."

Hol. Mutilated. Address lost.

24 Aug. R. O. **180.** William Blithman to Cromwell.

Sends a patent of 10*l.* a year granted to Cromwell for life by the prior and convent of Bolton, and 10*l.* in gold "to put your Lordship in possession thereof." Has sent to Mr. Treasurer 108*l.* for first-fruits, and to the Treasurer of the Augmentations 300 marks. Was desired by Cromwell to go to the abbey of Holme with Dr. Leghe. "Now Mr. Chancellor of the Augmentation hath sent me a letter of discharge for the receipt there, and doth not restore me to Fowrnees and other which be within my room." Was lately at the surrender of Rooche abbey with Dr. Petere, who left the house in his custody. Has delivered the demesnes and a grange called Adcrofte to lord Clifford by Dr. Peter's letter. Wishes the grange of Braneclyfe, four miles from Rooche, and will give Cromwell 20*l.* Obtained Cromwell's letters "for three priors in these North parts to come up because I found them not so willing to surrender as I was informed," but has not yet delivered them, for he was doubtful if Cromwell wished him to proceed to extremity. There is, however, matter against the prior of Woresope of deprivation, at least, of which Dr. Petre will instruct Cromwell. The prior of Monk Bretton makes delay, but will probably be tractable. Reminds Cromwell of his late suit touching the Prince's Grace. York, 24 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Aug. R. O. St. P. III. 90. **181.** Brabazon, Aylmer, and Alen to [Cromwell].

Send a copy, signed with his own hand, of the Deputy's accusation of the earl of Ormond mentioned in their letters of the 22nd. Have examined OChonour touching his confession made, as the Deputy avers, before Mr. Pawlett and Mr. Barneis. He denies or qualifies the chief points, as in the margin, and says he never made it in the form written. What a dishonour is it to the Deputy to invent such surmises? Write this for no affection to Ormond, but to deface the Deputy's credit, lest he should "hinder other men causeless." Though Ormond and his son be not blameless, yet, while the Geraldines of the South remain disobedient, it would be bad policy to subdue them, who with their ancestors have ever been true to the Crown. Enclose depositions of Gormanston, Darcy, and Bermyncham touching the Deputy's last journey. Send a book, devised by the Deputy and gunners, of artillery necessary, and beg his Lordship to despatch it by Transfelde. Dublin, 24 Aug. *Signed.*

R. O. 2. i.* Confession of Cahir OChonor, examined before the lord Deputy and Davy Sutton.

Ossory sent to him by his brother Brian's messenger, Tuesday, 16 Oct., to agree with his brother and take part against the King, and he should have as much of Offale as he wished, and that all the Irish were sworn together but he. Ossory made the bond between OKarell, Mychell Phatryck, ODoune, and OMore against those who took the King's part, as the late OMore's sons, Kair OChonour and the Dempsies. For proof of this, ever since Brian OChonour has been banished, Ossory and his wife have maintained and been suitors for him. At the appointment at Balaghmore, Ossory said he would write to the King for him, and desired the Deputy to do likewise, in presence

* Marked in the margin as "examined by the commission ers."

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of the Treasurer and Justice Aylmer. Ossory's captains are now with Brian OChonour in Offaley to aid him against the King, with 360 picked men and 500 kerne, *i.e.*, Molmorye, McDonell Ogh, and two of McSwyne's sons, one of them called Hugh. At Balaghmore, Ossory undertook that OChonour should not come near Offale, and to be surety for him. Richard Butler continually preys OMore's sons because they will not join with them.

ii.* Examination of Thos. Albenegh, 25 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. (*As in the copy under date*, in Vol. XII., Pt. II., No. 1124.)

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iii. Bernard OChonour's confession, in articles, with marginal notes of his examination upon them. (*In Latin.*)

(1.) Driven out of Offale, he went with OKerwayll to Donagh OBrien, who with the earl of Desmond and Morgho OBrien swore to defend him. (2.) Cair OChonour promised to assist him if he came to Offale. (3.) Came then to Oghterlayn monastery, where Ormond promised him on oath free access to his country. [*In marg.* Denies the first part. Ormond admitted him by appointment of the Deputy and Council.] (4.) Went to Bellaghmore and made a confederacy with Hugh McSwyne. [*In marg.* It was not against the King, and was without Ormond's knowledge.] (5.) Came with Ormond to his country and to Portlarge, where he bought a bombard. [*In marg.* "Fatetur."] (6.) They went then together to Enach, where he heard from Magilpatrick that James Butler was kept hostage in England until Ormond should send over OChonour. Left secretly and went to OKennedy, and Ormond sent Morgho and Donagh OBrien and Hugh and Donald McSwyne, captains of his galloglasses (*Scoticos*), to say that even if both his sons James and Richard were detained he would never deliver him up. [*In marg.* Denies it, because the Deputy had assigned him to stay with Ormond under the King's protection.] (7.) Subsidised Marianus McSwyne, one of Ormond's captains, to go with him and spoil the bp. of Meath and Gerald McGerald, and Marianus afterwards entered Ormond's service. [*In marg.* Ormond took him because the galloglasses were not then in any one's pay.] (8.) He and Donald McSwyne, after slaying certain subjects of the Deputy in ODoyn's country went to OKarell at Roscre, who refused to succour him for fear of Ormond, who had his wife in pledge. Just then a horseman came from Ormond saying OKarell should not succour him unless attacked by the Deputy. [*In marg.* Cannot depose.] The same day Donald McSwyne told Albenack that he did hurt to the Deputy at his Lord's, Ormond's, commands. [Cannot depose.] (10.) OMore took an oath in Kath. Butler's house at Keuroghmore to defend him when he got back his brother Cair OMore from the Deputy. [*In marg.* But not against the King.] (11.) When last driven out of Offale into ODoyn's country, Magilpatrick, OMore, and "flores Congalli OMores" promised to assist him. [*In marg.* They promised not to hurt him.] (12.) Certain captains he retained had food and drink in Ormond's country 15 days after they were in his pay. [*In marg.* Without Ormond's knowledge.] (13.) Cair OChonor asked him to spoil all Karbria except Wm. Brymingham's four towns at Brymyngham's request. [*In marg.* Knows not whether it was at Brymingham's request.]

iv. Confession of Dermond ODermond that was left in Mydrennye.

That lord James Butler promised to succour the castle and to give pledges to the Deputy for OKarroll's sons, and be himself at Tempell More Corkehennye. Bought powder of lord James' servant, and guns at Kilkenny. One of the two men of the ward that were put to death in O'Kenedy's country confessed that Dermond ODermond told him the above. *Signed:* Leonard Gray.

* Marked in the margin as taken by "the Commissioners."

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Memorandum, that this book was delivered by the Deputy to Brabazon, Aylmer, and Alen in Our Lady's chapel at Christ's Church, Dublin. 23 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

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R. O. 3. Confession of viscount Gormanston, Darsey, and Brymingham concerning this journey in Munster, Thomond, and Connaught. Containing a complete narrative, differing materially in its details from that of lord Leonard Grey, written from Maynooth on the 26th July. [See Part I., No. 1467 *note.*] *Signed by Brabazon, Aylmer, and Alen.*

Pp. 10, *with marginal notes of the character of some of the persons put in trust, showing their unworthiness.*

R. O. 4. i. Ordnance, &c. in Dublin Castle delivered by indenture by Barnardyne de Valoys to Thos. Cantrell, 3 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

ii. Proportion of ordnance, &c. necessary to be had here in Ireland.

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24 Aug. **182.** O'More's further Submission.

R. O. Reiterates his submission of 14 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII., and, in addition, will pay 20 mks. a year to the King and renounce claim to Donamase Castle and all Kildare's lands in Leix. Ormond, Butler, OChonour, OKarell, McGyllpatrick, and McMorgho to be his securities. Catherlagh, 24 Aug. 1538, 30 Hen. VIII.

Latin. Address on the back: "To good Mr. Robert Cowley give this from him which is other."

25 Aug. **183.** St. James' Abbey, Northampton.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 607. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Ntht., Warw., Midd., and Leic., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the Marches thereof. 25 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Brokden, abbot, Thos. Edwards, prior, and four others. [*See* Eighth Report of Dep. Keeper of Public Records, App. II., 34]. *Seal good.*

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *No.* 46], as acknowledged same day before Ric. Layton, LL.D.

25 Aug. **184.** Friars' Houses, Hereford.

R. O. Surrender of the Grey Friars of Harforde Est, 25 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Per me fatrem Wyllm. Scryven Gardianum—Fr. Joh'es Trevelyan—Fr. Joh'es Elkyns—Fr. Zakaryas Carpuntar—and 10 others.

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R. O. 2. Surrender of the Black Friars, of Harford Est, 25 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Frater Ricardus Gray, prior—Frater Thomas Hewys habet capac'—Frater Joh'es Smyth—Frater Rogerus Madley—and four others.

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R. O. 3. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Herfordest, received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to Hugh Walche, mayor of Hereford, and Roland Rise, for the King:—

Vestry:—6 suits of vestments, one of branched silk with lions, another with birds and trees, and many single vestments, altar cloths, &c. Steeple:—2 bells, and the 3rd at the gate, and a pair of organs. Choir:—5 mass books, 4 antyphoners and 2 queyers, 6 greylls, a pistill book, 4 legends and a martiloge, &c. The "hyeer" chamber:—

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2 feather beds, &c., and other furniture. Furniture of the buttery, ostery, and church very scanty. Kitchen:—6 platters, 6 pots, 3 cauldrons, a great stone mortar, &c.

The debt is great, but I cannot come at the perfectness thereof. Friar Trevylyan must be examined for it was in his time. The present warden makes the debt for his time 12*l.*, for payment of which he has the corn and hay, and has bound himself to pay. Much clamour is made for the rest of the debt, "which I cannot help." The visitor has a chalice and maser and a horse, price 6*s.* 8*d.* A cart sold for 7*s.* *Signed by Hugh Welche and Roland Rees, mercer.*

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R. O. 4. Another copy of § 3 without the signatures at the end.

Pp. 3. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* Non led but the condyte and gutters; non rentes but ther gardens.

R. O. 5. Indenture of the stuff of the Black Friars of Harforde Est, received and delivered like the preceding:—

Choir:—A pair of organs, 20 old banners, &c. Church:—4 new pieces of timber and 4 other pieces of timber. Sextry:—A cope of silk with talbotts with a scutcheon on the back, a cope of silk with Jesus and stars, ditto with a scutcheon on the back with 3 lions, a cope of blue silk with similar scutcheon, &c., a suit of Jesus, priest, deacon, and subdeacon, a suit with talbotts, priest, deacon, and subdeacon, and other suits and vestments. Furniture of chambers, kitchen, buttery, and bakehouse detailed.

Debts, 52*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.*; to pay which are sold jewels for 15*l.*, and the prior will pay the rest, for which he has an apple mill and all the fruit and saffern betwixt this and Hallowmas, with all wood and corn. The visitor has in jewels, 143 ozs.

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R. O. 6. Another copy of § 5.

Pp. 3. *Endd. by the bp. of Dover:* The quere and stepull led and sum on the chyrch; rentes by zer iij li. xviij^{s} besyde a sefferyne (?) grounde and orchezerddes verthe iiij or v markes by zer.

25 Aug. **185.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 380.

The bearer, an old acquaintance of Cranmer's, in Cambridge, is a man of learning, especially in Latin, by long exercise of reading eloquent authors, and by teaching, both in the University and at Ludlow where he was born. He desires for conscientious reasons to renounce his priesthood, but fears thereby to lose his salary. Asks Cromwell to write to the warden of the Guild and his brethren, who have the collation of the school, that he may continue in his room, though he renounces his priesthood. There is no ordinance that the master should be a priest. Lambeth, 25 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Aug. **186.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. L.'s Remains, 399.

Thanks him for his kindness to Mr. Evance the bearer. Is told that "the bluddy abbott"* said among his brethren that his last coming up to London by Latimer's occasion, cost him besides the expenses of his journey 140*l.*, so that he was not able to make household provision and required the best mitre, the best cross and another thing or two to make chevance withal for provision. All the jewels of the house may thus be "survayd" away without Cromwell's knowledge. Received the enclosed letter yesterday from Cromwell's visitor.† God forbid but his labour should be well taken,

* Meaning apparently the abbot of Hayles who had the relic of "the Blood" in his custody.
† The bp. of Dover. *See* No. 170.

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and God forbid that such deceivable hypocrisies should up again and stand at any man's suit. No, though they would give *aureos montes* therefor.

Mr. Nevell lately took away a pardoner's seal for misordering himself, and sends it up to Cromwell, as he has not returned for it. Trusts in Cromwell for having a good neighbour.

Hereby is a hermitage* in a rock by Severn, able to lodge 500 men, and as ready for thieves or traitors as true men. Would not have hermits masters, but rather that some faithful man had it. Mr. Robert Acton at his return can show you further. Postridie Bartho. at Hartlebury.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

187. THOMAS BARNABE to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to your commandment I have put me in a-readiness and hope you will soon dispatch me. This morning, Master Gowstwyke sent for me to his house where I do remain. He will in any wise send me to ward for 30*l.* which I owe to Mr. Henyg, as your Lordship remembers. If he do, I beg you will release me, else I shall have all the actions laid upon me from which your Lordship released me when I was last here.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Aug. **188.** THOMAS BARNABY to CROMWELL.

R. O. As you commanded me, at my departing, to use diligence, I thought I had nothing to do at London but to receive my post money. I have sufficient for my journey towards France. I am shipped in the haven of Pevensey "and the partyd in to Frans, trustyng to be with the electe of Herrford or I schuld have bene at Dover." Written at the ship, 26 August.

P.S.—I did not deliver your favourable letters to Sir John Allyn as I had no time to treat with him till my return. I beg you "to show Mr. Wallope where I am become, that my folks do not muse."

Hol.,† *p.* 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

189. ———‡ to CROMWELL.

Add. MS. 29,431, f. 4. B. M. "To my right honourable good lord, my lord Privy Seal, that it might please him to show these parcels following to the King's highness."

Delivered to the King jewels amounting to 468*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; 500 gold cr.; an Almain dagger, halt and sheath of clean gold, amounting to 230 cr.; an agate enclosed in gold with two pair of gold bracelets, amounting to 92 cr. To Allyn King and Hare (*i.e.* Harry) Page, 100 mks. These were paid to the King, for the noble of the ton of merchandise imported by virtue of certain safe conducts obtained by "the said Barnabe" to the use of Oystas le Doyon and John Bassoner, merchants of Paris, who dispute the payment.

Desires to have a commission to the Custom house of London to certify the truth, and that the King would speak to the judges on his behalf. Among other things the French merchants allege that the King wrote to Antwerp to constrain them to make their obligation due to the petitioner.

P. 1. *Endd:* A bill of certain jewels delivered to the King.

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* The Hermitage at Redstone Ferry.

† In a different hand from his other letters; but which is really his own is uncertain.

‡ This paper also is not unlikely to have been written by Thomas Barnaby, whose name is mentioned in it in the third person. The handwriting, however, does not correspond with that of either of the two preceding letters; nor yet with that of another letter professedly written by him, which will be found later on in this volume.

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26 Aug. **190.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. This day at 1 o'clock I wrote to you by Clare, your servant, with whom I sent your licence for coming to Dover. Clare promised to make all haste. The King will be at Dover on Saturday the last of this instant; you must come over on Friday or Saturday morning at furthest. I will be there on Friday night. The merlin you sent my lord Privy Seal was pricked with a thorn the very first flight. The spaniel proves very good. Jesu send you in surety to Dover. London 26 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Catais.

26 Aug. **191.** ANTONY BARKER to JOHN MASON.

R. O. Has not written because he has been little at London these six or eight months, and when there little at the Court. Mr. Smyth has 20 marks for him. There is a suit for his benefice in the Court of Augmentations. Manwaryng's brother and Mr. Lee have money for him. Has no other news to recompense his "good news written from Nice." Asks for some information about the condition of this peace. Wishes he were where Mason is. London, 26 Aug. 1538.

Gave these letters to Rougecrosse. Desires to be commended to Mr. Ambassador and Mr. Blage.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* with Mr. Wyatt in the Emperor's Court in Spain. *Endd.*

26 Aug. **192.** THOMAS UVEDALE to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Desires him to remind the Lord Privy Seal to speak to the King's surveyor in the Isle of Wight for the lease of the farm promised to the writer when his Lordship was at Tichfield. Recommends to the bearer, a neighbour, who desires to enter Wriothesley's service. Bishop's Waltham, 26 Aug. 1538. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

26 Aug. **193.** JOHN ESSEX *alias* ROCHE, late Abbot of St. Austin's [Canterbury] to CROMWELL.

R. O. Desires Cromwell to be good to him, in that he may have his house at Sturrey to receive his friends in. Mr. Ant. Sentleger and Dr. Layton said he would have 200 marks and the house of Sturrey. Perceives that, unless he dismisses his household, who would thus be forced to beg, he will have never a penny at the end of the year. Desires Cromwell to be a mean for him to the King, to whom he has freely surrendered his living, that he may have the lordship of Sturrey, with hunting and fishing, worth 52*l.* a year. Sturrey, 26 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Aug. **194.** ROBERT NEVELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends a certificate of the examination of one Mylis Denyson,* a very drunkard, evermore troubling the officers and seldom quiet with his neighbours. Sends also the certificate of the suppression of the friars of Wodhouse; and the King's broad seal given to one Rydlay to gather men's alms. He makes brethren and sisters as he was wont to do, to the great hindrance of the glory of God and hurt of this people. Hartylbery, 26 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Keeper of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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26 Aug. **195.** ORMOND to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. III. 92.

Has received the King's and Cromwell's letters. His dissension with the lord Deputy is the fault of the latter, who has so practised against him that he was on the point of going to the King when Aylmer and Alen arrived. When the Council made the order between them the Deputy said: "Were it not to fulfil the King's pleasure and commandment, more than for any goodwill I have to perform your order, I would never put my hand to it;" and signed it without hearing it read. Catherlagh Castle, 26 Aug. *Signed.*

Add: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Aug. **196.** BUTLER to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. III. 94.

Received his letters of 16 June on the 16th Aug. The Deputy is so wedded to those who were Kildare's councillors, that he will have no one put in trust who is of Cromwell's preferment. Before Butler went into England, Ormond and he were well entertained by the Deputy, but ever since he has practised against them. Has never offended him otherwise than by writing to Cromwell and to the King's Commissioners and Council of his misdemeanours.

Last week the vicar of Chester said at the Deputy's table in presence of the abp. of Dublin, Chief Justice, Master of the Rolls, and Butler, that the King had commanded images to be set up again. As the Deputy said nothing, the abp., Master of the Rolls, and Butler, said that if he were not in the Deputy's presence they would set him fast by the heels. His Lordship said nothing. "Surely he hath a special zeal for the papists." The abp. promised to put the said vicar in the castle. George Pawlet, when here, would not allow the patent to Butler and his father of the constableship of Dungarvan. Begs a new patent.

Are at peace on all borders, but fear the confederacy of O'Neill and ODonell, young Gerald being with them. The Chancellor is dead. Mr. Sentleger and his fellows, the late Commissioners, can suggest a successor. It is rumoured that Cromwell preferred the Master of the Rolls to that room when in England; there is none more meet for it. Gawron, 26 Aug. *Signed.*

In Thos. Alen's hand. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Aug. **197.** J. DE NOUVELLE to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O.

Has received his letters by Peronnel and with them "deus (deux) gardes de noir cresey et ung garde et demey de blancq." Thanks him for his handsome present and sends him some bunches of grapes ("crapes de roisin"). Intends to hunt a boar this week, and if he get a good one will send him a good part. Tournehen, 26 Aug.

My wife sends compliments to you and Madame your wife.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

27 Aug. **198.** SIR J. RUSSELL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I cannot yet, for debility, visit your Lordship. My ague is gone, and the pain in my head, so I feel no disease but weakness and that I cannot sleep at night. I beg your favour for my friend the abbot of Peterborough; there is a bruit made by Dr. Lie and his men that his house should go down before Michaelmas. Such bruits are wrong, for they shall come to the King daily without any such forcing, The abbot is as good a subject as any of his coat, and I warrant he keeps his goods without embezzling. Cheynes, 27 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir John Russell.

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27 Aug. **199.** Sir Henry Sayvylle and Robert Chaloner to Cromwell.

R. O.

After viewing your common or waste at Heptonstall we declared to the copyholders your Lordship's desire to have it enclosed like other places in these parts, and if they would agree they should have the preferment thereof. Gave them to the 16 Sept. to answer, but hear that before that day some of them will go up with a petition to your Lordship. Heptonstall, 27 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Aug. **200.** Ric. Bp. of Dover to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 263. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 210.

Since departing from you I have received to the King's use 28 convents, as appears by the bill enclosed, of which I have written to your Lordship. Sends remainder of the copies of inventories and testimonials of release, and begs that the warrants for their habits may be sent as promised, for they cannot say mass abroad in churches till they have their exemptions. Has written and spoken to divers bishops to license them till after Michaelmas, when he promised them their licences free; for most of them have nothing to pay with. In many places men clamor for debts of the convents, and, without Cromwell's favour, poor men will lose money by the friars and will murmur.

Wrote for two houses in Shrewsbury: the Black Friars yet stands and suit will be made for its continuance. Its standing gives the writer more difficulty at other houses. Discharged the prior of the Austin Friars and sent the two Irishmen into their own countries. Hears the prior is gone to London to sue for his house again. Hopes these suits will not speed. Of the three convents in Bristol, the Black are ready to resign; but the other two are stiff, the Grey Friars because the warden is warden of Richmond, and is in favour (though not worth 20 mks.), and the Austin Friar by reason of a grant from the King for life under which he thinks he can sell the house and all, and has already sold part. If he knew Cromwell's pleasure he would on his return journey finish with them and with Salisbury and other places. Finds little plate. Begs news, as he has no word from Cromwell for 8 weeks. Would send some relics but they are too cumbrous. Has Malkow's ear that Peter struck off; but the holiest relic in all North Wales is sent herewith. No man may kiss it but he must kneel as soon as he see it and he must kiss every stone of it and afterwards pay a "met of corn" or a cheese of a groat or 4*d.* It was worth to the friars of Bangor, with another image which the writer has also closed up, 20 mks. a year. Has been three days at Harford Est, and had much ado with the Grey Friars, who everywhere give trouble; but has succeeded at last and sends the releases.

Begs thanks to the mayors and baileys of the cities he has visited, and also to Mr. Holt "and to Master,"* who have assisted him. Others of the King's servants have begged him to write for them and offered 20 nobles or more, but he will take none. John Turner, of the Guard, of Ludlow was one of these. Today I ride to Brecknock and so towards Carmarden and Harford West, and so over to St. Michael's Mount and to Cornwall and Devonshire.

Asks instructions about Bristol, Southampton, Salisbury, and other places. 27 Aug. at Harford-Est. *Signed.*

P.S. (*in his own hand*): Sends names of those who should have warrants for their apparel.

Pp. 2. *Begins:* My singular good lord.

* Name accidentally omitted.

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27 Aug. **201.** Sir John Wallop to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. I. 582.

After Cromwell left the Court to go to Lewes the King desired Wallop to go and entertain the French ladies* and show them Westminster, Hampton Court and the King's other houses. On coming here Penyston showed him Cromwell's letters, desiring they should go to Dover against the King's coming, which shall be done. They have seen the King's house at Westminster and been feasted by the Mayor. When they depart, intends to go to Somerset. London, 27 Aug. *Signed.*

Add.: Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Aug. **202.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

At my going to the Court I left these other letters, which I now send by the bearer, Jas. Crane, whom I found here at my return from my lord Privy Seal. I send also my Lord's licence to come over. He and your Ladyship should be over on Friday next or Saturday morning, for the King is determined to be at Dover on Saturday night. I shall be there on Friday night and bring your gown and kirtle. I have written to my Lord largely about other things. London, 27 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

27 Aug. **203.** Adriane de Noyelle, Old Abbess of Bourbourg, to [Lord Lisle].

R. O.

I thank you and my Lady for your presents to my niece,† who also sends her respects and is ill of a fever. I send you some white and red *rosyn* (*du rosyn, tant de blancq que du rouge*), as much as I have been able to get. From our monastery of Brombr', 27 Aug. *Signed:* Adriane de Noyelle, anchienne abbesse.

Fr., p 1. *Add.:* Le Debites de Calais.

28 Aug. **204.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 380.

Asks him to obtain from the King, for Dr. Barons, the deanery of Tamworth College, Staffordshire, void by the death of Mr. Parker, brother to the abbot of Gloucester. He has hitherto had very small preferment for his pains in the King's affairs. This living is worth but 20*l.* Lambeth, 28 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Aug. **205.** Sir William Penizon to Cromwell.

Titus B. I. 284. B. M.

Yesterday morning about 8 o'clock received his three letters. Sent the one directed to the French ambassador to him at Chelsey, lest he should, according to his appointment, ride Courtwards straightway. After, went to Lady Mutrell, whom he found new risen from her bed. After he had told her the King's pleasure, she expressed her thanks in French for being permitted to see the King, and would keep the appointment made by the King and the days and places which Cromwell had written to Penizon. On going to her about two o'clock in the afternoon, found the French ambassador there. It was determined by his advice that she might be at Dover well enough, though she did not depart till Thursday, for her litter goes so fast that they will reach Dover by Saturday early enough. Seeing that they might well do so, did not much debate the contrary. Today she goes to Chelsey to dine with the ambassador. Has no tidings of weight but this. The French ambassador has showed him a letter from both the Emperor's

* *See* Nos. 2 and 177. † Anthoine de Noyelle, the present abbess.

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205. Sir William Penizon to Cromwell—*cont.*

ambassadors desiring to speak secretly with him, and asking him to appoint a time at Chelsey. He says he cannot lawfully refuse them audience. Was not allowed to see the subscription of the letter. Believes they were together yesterday about three, as Cromwell shall know at Penizon's coming to Dover.

They did not go to Chelsey. Sent a man thither who brought word that neither the French nor the Imperial ambassadors were there, but on coming home he met some of the ambassador's servants with spare horses going to Chelsey, and on asking them where their master supped, they said they could not tell. Sent to see if he had supped at the said Lady's, but he had not. "And further the said French ambassador showed me that he cannot remember that he spake unto them since the Queen's burial." Supposes he means this to be shown to Cromwell. On Thursday will wait on the said Lady to Dover. London, 28 August.

Delivered the letter to the lord Mayor, who shows himself like a very gentleman to the said Lady in giving her presents. Wishes there was such a Mayor in every town on their way to Dover, for then they could be sure of good meats and plenty.

Add.: My Lord Private Seal. *Endd.*

28 Aug. **206.** Thos. Leygh to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

Excuses himself for not seeing her when last at Calais. Was not there long and had so much business that he was not able to see her. Thanks her for a flagon of wine, a venison pastry and dotterells, and for 2 doz. quails sent to his wife. While at Calais sent her by Peter, Mr. Fowler's man, a ring which Mrs. Hutton gave him at Antwerp, and 20 ells of sarcenet which he will take back if the colours do not suit. Recommendations to lord Lisle. London, 28 Aug. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

[28 Aug.] **207.** Leicester, St. Mary Pre Abbey.

R. O.
Rymer, xiv. 639.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Leic., Warw., Ntht., [Bucks, Beds.], Notts, Linc., Derb., Lanc., and London and elsewhere in England, Wales and the Marches thereof.——30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Bourchier, abbot, Ric. Duckytt, Ric. Webbe, sub-prior and 17 others. [*See* Eighth Report of Dep. Keeper, App. II., 27.]

Stained. Two seals, injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 3, No. 25] as acknowledged same day* before Fras. Cave, LL.D., King's Commissioner.

28 Aug. **208.** John Bourchier, Priest, to Cromwell.

R. O.

I and my brethren have surrendered our house into the King's hands, and thanks to his Highness and your Lordship, we be well entreated. Dr. Cave and Mr. Freman have given me the King's reward, 20*l.*, to serve me till Lady Day in Lent next. It will cost me 8*l.* or 9*l.* in competent apparel, and then I have little left to serve me and 2 or 3 servants. I desire you to write to Dr. Cave that I may have as much more as you shall please; for so poor a man never made surrender. Leicester, 28 August. *Signed.*

P.S. in his own hand: I beg you to grant me this in my need.

P. 1 *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* late abbot of Leicester.

* This although the day and month are left blank in the surrender itself.

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29 Aug. R. O. **209.** [Sir] Richard Gresham to Cromwell.

Has received by Mr. Penison his letters for the entertainment of the French ladies. Has made them presents, and had them to his house at dinner on Sunday with the French ambassador, the bp. of Chichester and others. To-day they have gone towards Dover. His son will go with them by reason of the language. Heard from Dr. Barnes Cromwell's mind about the images at Powlles. Sent to the bp. of Chichester, the Dean, and he had them taken down the same night, Aug. 23.

Advises the taking down of "two stayers that goithe upe to a hawle passe ther as the Roode dyd stande, with two awters ond other thynges to sett candylles upeon." Has spoken to Masteres Packyngton for Sir Clement Harleston. She is not inclined that way. London, 29 Aug.

Asks Cromwell to prefer his son to the King's service when at Dover.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Aug. R. O. **210.** Walter Cromer* to Cromwell.

Master Brian is sore sick of a burning ague. Begs Cromwell will move the King to send him Master Michell the physician. A comfortable letter from Cromwell would do him no less pleasure "than his life is in value." Byllyngtown, 29 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Dr. Cromer.

29 Aug. Cleop. E. iv. 215.* B. M. Strype's Eccl. Mem. I. i. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 163. **211.** Dr. Francis Cave to [Cromwell].

This is to advertise "your good Lordship" of the state of the late monastery of Leicester, of which we have taken the surrender. By your Lordship's goodness I am in possession of the house and demesnes. Found debts, to 411*l.* 10*s.*, besides the debt to the King; against which sale of stock, &c. brought 228*l.*, and the plate, which Mr. Freman has, is worth 190*l.*, lead worth 1,000*l.*, and bells 88*l.* Discharged the abbot and convent with 149*l.* as appears by the book we send. The abbot having 20*l.* desires of your Lordship that he may have 20*l.* more. Church and house remain undefaced, and in the former are many things unsold. Requests instructions about defacing "the church and other superfluous buildings"; for 100 mks. a year would not cover the yearly repair of them all. Late monastery of Leicester, 29 Aug. *Signed.*

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29 Aug. R. O. **212.** Thomas, Earl of Rutland, to Cromwell.

Leonard Skevington has desired me to beg your favour for him and his company at Nottingham for money due to them, as appears by his book. Fodringhaye, 29 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Aug. Vesp. F. xiii. 89b. B. M. **213.** Thomas Earl of Rutland to Wriothesley.

Has written to my lord Privy Seal for such money as is due to Leonard Skevington and his company lying at Nottingham. Thinks also that 40*s.* spent now in repairs in Nottingham Castle will save 40*l.* in future. Fodringhaye, 29 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Address lost. Begins:* Maistir Wreseley.

* Apparently Dr. Cromer, the Scotch physician mentioned in Vol. V., No. 233. He is also referred to in Vol. X., Nos. 83, 734.

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29 Aug. **214.** Nic. [Shaxton], Bp. of Salisbury to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letter. Does not, as the King thinks, feel more indebted to any other man than to his Highness. But this is not in his power, for he has given the advowson to Mr. Townesend.

Cromwell writes that unless he sends him the advowson of Horton, &c., the King will not only dispose of that and all other benefices in his gift, by his supreme authority; "that other may learn to put a difference between his Highness' earnest request and their own fantasies b[ut will] repute me a person most unkind towards him." These are heavy words of a prince towards his obedient and loving subject, but he shall do his pleasure, not only with the things Cromwell writes of, but also with himself.

The King's letters are to be addressed to Mr. Townesende, who hath the disposition of this thing at this time, if his Grace is so earnestly minded to have it. Is sure he will do herein as he did in the like in Lent last past. Rammesbury, 29 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Aug. **215.** Black Friars of Brecknock.

R. O. Surrender of the house by prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 29 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Rc. Dd., prior—Harry Coke—Roger Thomas—Thomas Meredythe—Hoen ap Res—Mathew Hary—Georg Whych—Rycharde Wylyams—Lesson ap Dd.—Thomas Eve.

P. 1. *Endd. in the bp. of Dover's hand:* "The convent at Breknock is well builded; hath none lead; hath certain meadows and orchards worth 40*s.* by year, none chalices ner jewels."

29 Aug. **216.** Lord Leonard Grey to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. III. 97. Since writing last by John Brok, sometime his servant, the Council has assembled in Dublin. The Council took an order for better amity to be in future between him and Ormond and lord James Butler, which he will keep, as he sees both by their letters and by the credence Aylmer and Alen brought him that it is the King's pleasure and Cromwell's. Begs answer by his servant the bearer, George Greneleyff, about his repair thither. Greneleyff has done good service. Lacks 100*l.* of the stipend of himself and men due at Lady Day in Lent last. The Chancellor is dead. Begs that the room may be given to some "true Englishman out of those parts." Maynooth Castle, 29 Aug.

Encloses copy of ODonell's late letter. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The deputy of Ireland's letters to ODonell and ODonell's letters unto him again. Aug. 29.

2. ODonell to the Deputy and Council of Ireland.

R. O. Ib. Has received their letters of the last of July, mentioning that the King's letters have come to their hands; not that he requires them for any offence he ever did, but he is thankful for the King's remembrance and their mediation. The good counsels they sent him he has had read three or four times before him.

Will send his servant John Fagon before the end of the month to appoint a day and place for their meeting. Has given no succour to the Earl's son or to any of those that came with his wife except Robert Walssh, who attends upon her and would fain serve the King. In times past his father had a gun from the Scottish king wherewith he subdued his enemies, and the writer trusting to have the same gun sent his servant Arth. OGalcom for it, whom he hears they detain to his great rebuke. Dongall, 15 July [*should be* August].

Subscribed: Copy of ODonell's letter to me, 15 July, 30 Hen. VIII.

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29 Aug. **217.** JOHN HUTTON to the MARQUIS OF EXETER.

R. O. In pursuance of a letter from Sir Richard Gressam, lord Mayor of London, which came to me on the 24th, I made inquiry for Mr. Taylor, late schoolmaster to my Lord, your son, and found he was at Louvain, which is a privileged university. As I could not come by him by force I tried policy and wrote a letter to two gentlemen of England residing there, to come to me and make good cheer and bring with them any students of our nation. This was done next day, and I perceived by the tokens mentioned in my lord Mayor's letter that Mr. Taylor was in the company. I made no sign but got the whole company to sup with me, and after supper took Mr. Taylor by the hand and told him privately your Lordship's wish that he should return to England, and that you wondered at his sudden departure. He said it was to avoid further displeasure, for he had been threatened by some young gentlemen of your Lordship's household for ministering correction to your son; but he consented to return. The bearer, Andrew Dyar, being near at hand, I desired him to keep company with Mr. Taylor and not leave him till he had brought him to your Lordship, which he was glad to do. Antwerp, 29 August. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

30 Aug. **218.** SIR RIC. GRESHAM to CROMWELL.

R. O. Today it was declared in the court of the Merchant Adventurers that the *George Modye*, with goods of the company, was taken by Norwegian pirates.

Asks Cromwell to obtain letters from the King to the kings of Denmark, France, and Scotland, and also letters from the ambassadors of Lubeck, that search may be made. London, 30 Aug. 1538. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Aug. **219.** WILL of LADY JANE GILDFORDE, Widow.

R. O. To be buried in Blackfriars church, London. Sir John Gage and Sir Wm. Penison, executors, and the lord Privy Seal, overseer of the will. Bequeaths 20*l.* to the convent of Black Friars to pray for the souls of her two husbands, Sir Thos. Branndon, Sir Hen. Gildforde, Lord Vaux, Marg. Babington, Alborowe Bacheler, and all Christian souls.

Other bequests to the poor of London, to her men and women servants, to the prison houses in and near London, to her niece Bridget, her nephew lord Vaux (*amongst them* "my book of French,") Oliver Catisbye,* Sir George Morlande,* chaplain, Wm. Barbour,* Alice Kinscote,* Cicily,* Mary Alborow's niece, for the marriage of poor maidens (50*l.*, *i.e.* 6*s.* 8*d.* or, at most, 10*s.* apiece), to her friend Edw. Standbank, Ralph Cawldwell, Wm. Scote, Jas. Fawcet, Anne Hale, the master of the Gaunts, Sir John at the Gaunts, to the sub-prior, Peerson and Willet, of the Blackfriars, to lady Kingston, Sir Wm. Kingston, Alice Boocher,* Alice Milbank, Mr. Whit of Bristol, Mrs. Coderington. 30 Aug. 30 Hen VIII. *Testes*, Mary Owdale, Dominus Thos. Balam, Wm. Curson, Edm. Pecket, and Alex. Funtayne.

ii. "A codicil to this testament." *Not dated.*

Bequests to Sir Thos. Balam, of Brokenworth, Sir Thos. Tasker, of Bristol, the goodwife James, the goodwife Fouks, Mrs. Mary the Frowe, Maud my fool, my niece Bridget, Kath. Wikam,* Anne Catisbye, Oliver Catisbye, Sir George my chaplain (advowson of Almesburey), Anne Staundebanke,* Wm. Hill, Thos. Higgins and John his son, and Annes Dryvor. *Testes*, Ralph Caldwell, George Morland, Oliver Catisbye, Wm. Barbour, Ric. Rutter, Wm. Faucet.

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* These are called her servants.

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30 Aug. **220.** Sir Brian Tuke to Cromwell.

R. O. Ellis, 3 S. iii. 221.

There is a monastery in Staffordshire called Hylton, lands worth 80*l.* a year, of the foundation of lord Audelay, whose manor of Audelay is beside it, and is now in possession of young Mr. Audelay and my daughter his wife, by Act of Parliament. This monastery was not suppressed. The manor is all that he and my daughter have in recompense of her jointure, that by my bargain with lord Audelay should have been 300*l.* and is scant 100 mks., and they have no house but an old ruinous castle. Mr. Audelay had the King's favour for the farm, but, the house standing, his suit was in vain. Now the incumbent is content to resign if Mr. Audelay could obtain the grant of it, and as the latter lacks friends and ready money he is come out of Staffordshire to your Lordship in that behalf. I beg your favour for him; it were a charitable deed to relieve "that poor family and name by the infortune of his father so sorely decayed." London, penultime of August 1538.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Aug. **221.** Sir Brian Tuke to Cromwell.

R. O.

By your letters received this hour, your Lordship "doubteth my simple wit," in that I have not ascertained you what I did on receipt of your former letters for 400*l.* to the Emperor's ambassador Don Diego de Mendoza.

I prayed the bearer of your said letters to say your command should be accomplished, and to show Mr. Wriothesley the semblable. Because I had never seen the ambassador, though he lay at Mr. Capell's house by me, and I knew not how soon he would depart, I sent to ask when I might speak with him from the King. He appointed next day at dinner; "but I excused me of not coming to dinner, because I am of a precise diet, though I sent not him that word." I came after dinner and, with chosen words, presented the reward, which he received with thanks. I caused his servants to tell it, and, without my desire, they wrote me an acquittance, which he subscribed. Drank a cup of wine with him and departed. If there had been cause why this should not have been accomplished, and I had not advertised your Lordship, it were pity I should wear either ears or nose. He gave among my clerks against my will 21 angels. London, "penultimo Aug. 1538."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Aug. **222.** John Gostwyk to Cromwell.

R. O.

I have received your letters by Anth. Aucher and have despatched him as commanded. Thanks for my licence to go home. "Advertising the same by this brief declaration what remaineth with my clerk." Since the making thereof I have received from Blytheman for first fruits 108*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.* I daily call upon debtors about London for first fruits and other debts, and have already committed some to ward for nonpayment. "And where your said Lordship is sorry to see my letters written for the frere of Calais, I trust there is nothing therein contained whereby I should offend God, the King's Majesty, nor your Lordship." Never meant to favour traitors. London, Friday morning. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* "The penultime of August."

30 Aug. **223.** Works at Dover.

R. O.

Brief declaration of money received by Ant. Ager, paymaster of the King's works at Dover, from 31 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. to 30 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., 1,720*l.*: viz. of:—"Richard [Davy], deputy to John [Whalley], late paymaster, now [deceased] 80*l.*: John [Gostwike], esquire [Treasurer

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of the] Tenth a[nd First-fruits by] the hand of [Robert] Lorde" 1,640*l.* Whereof:—

Ant. Ager demands allowance for money paid to various workmen (detailed) and "for timber and carriages of timber in the time of John Whalley:" Total, 1,684*l.*

Large paper. *P.* 1.

30 Aug. **224.** JOHN [HILSEY], BP. OF ROCHESTER, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis 3 Ser. iii. 98.

The bearer, the prior of the Black Friars at Cambridge,* a man of good learning and a preacher of God's true Gospel, wishes to be allowed to take away an image of Our Lady in his house, which has had much pilgrimage to her, especially at Sturbridge Fair, which is drawing near. Asks Cromwell to take the said house into the King's hands. London, 30 Aug.

If Cromwell would trust him to be commissioner for the said purpose, would fain declare himself to be not a maintainer of superstitious religion, as some untrue men bear him in hand.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

30 Aug. **225.** JOHN [HILSEY], BP. OF ROCHESTER, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has already written about the prior of Cambridge and the image of Our Lady. His long absence moves him to write this letter for his continual suit for the house of Rochester. Wishes the house of friars of London,† whereof he is commendatory, to change their habits, as he trusts the honest of them have changed their hearts, "that not other should be example to me, but I rather to them, to abolish utterly the physsnamye of Antichrist." Does not wish any to think that he desires the maintenance of any popish religion, but would rather die than one of them should remain. 30 Aug.

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30 Aug. **226.** SIR WM. PENISON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Received yesterday at 7 a.m. his letter dated Lewes, 27 inst. At 1 p.m. set forward "her"‡ train which was last night at Dartford. "She" arrived here about 11 o'clock this morning, will go to Rochester this afternoon, and tomorrow to Sittingbourne and Canterbury, remaining there till he hears of the King's coming to Dover. Has written to all the mayors for her entertainment. The French and Imperial ambassadors as he conjectured in his last, spake together on Monday last at 4 p.m., and afterwards visited lady Mutrell together, and sent her two "fat bookes" (bucks). She dined with the French ambassador at Chelsey, not on Thursday as I wrote, but yesterday, the Imperial ambassador being also there. Hears that the last-come Imperial ambassador§ is summoned home. The mayor of London has not ceased visiting the Lady with presents. Graveshynd, 30 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Aug. **227.** CROMWELL to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

At his coming to Dover, the King desires that Lisle shall bring with him Thos. Delingcourt, a smith of Calais, to answer for his lewd behaviour. Bedgebery, 30 Aug. *Signed.*

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Add.*

* Gregory Dod. † The Black Friars.
‡ Referring to the lady of Montreuil mentioned later. § Don Diego de Mendoza.

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30 Aug. **228.** E. Earl of Hertford to Cromwell.

R. O. I thank you for the commission for the surrender of the Charter House, the proceeding whereof has, I doubt not, since been declared to you. I beg to know, by bearer, how the King and your Lordship have fared since my departure. I beg you also to help the despatch of my uncle's request. You proposed, when I was at Court, to go from Grafton to London and from thence perhaps to Leeds, where I hope I shall meet you. Wulfhaull, 30 August. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

30 Aug. **229.** The Grey Friars, Caermarthen.

R. O. Surrender, by the warden and convent of the house of Grey Friars of Carmardeyn to the lord Visitor for the King, 30 Aug., 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by* John Trahern (?) S.T.B., Lewis Richard, Richard Gr., Morgan Dd., Richard Ph., Thos. Markesfyld, Res Ord, Evon Phylyp, William Dd., Henry Morgan, Bernardin Blakburne, John Wyllyams, John Geffre, and John Brygon.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Karmarden received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal and delivered to my lord William, bp. of St. Davids and Thomas Prichar, vicar of Caermarthen, for the King; Mr. Mayor to have the oversight of the same.

The Sextrey:—7 suits of white silk with golden beasts, of black velvet purpled with the Apostles on the back, of red velvet with red offeras with flowers, &c. A pall of cloth of tussey or the earl of Richmond's tomb. 2 poor coats for Our Lady. A wine bottle and 3 cruets of wine. A table of Mary Magdalen. And many copes, &c., 34 items in all. Choir:—Candlesticks, &c. A goodly pair of organs. A goodly tomb for Sir Rice ap Thomas, with a grate of iron about him, and a streamer and banner of his arms with his coat, armour, and helmet. Church:—5 alabaster tables, 2 sacry bells, and a frame of iron through all the church before the altars for taberys. The Steeple:—a clock and 2 bells. The King's chamber, inner chamber, and chambers next the laverys and parlour door:—1 feather bed, &c. in each. Kitchen, brewhouse, hall, and buttery:—furniture detailed.

And besides this, received 3 brass pans and 1 pot that were abroad, a vestment, and 2 altar cloths that were at the castle and a coffer that was in the town. The Visitor has a cross with Mary and John weighing with the iron in it, 108 oz.; two gilt chalices, of which the best lay in pledge, 60 oz.; a basin and ewer which lay in pledge, 54 oz., for which the Visitor paid 5*l.*; a pix with a crystal, 27 oz. Memorandum of how the plate in pledge was redeemed. The 10*l.* owing, with 20 mks. for the table of the high altar, &c., Bachelor Traherne, late warden, shall discharge; for which he shall have all pledges, corn, cheese, &c. and the goods of Thomas Tilar, paying his debts. Where Mr. Chancellor says his door in the friars was broken and certain stuff taken out, by whom is not known; the Visitor has left a cope to satisfy him if he will. The Visitor allowed a friar that lay sick the provisions in the house and 6*s.* 8*d.* and to each friar, 12*d.* *Signed by* Wm. bp. of St. David's, Thos. Prichard, and Martin Davy.

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30 Aug. **230.** Martin Pellys to Cromwell.

R. O. The Master of the Rolls labours for Thos. Alen, his brother, to have Rathmore in farm. If I have not Carlingford I beg I may have Rathmore; for Alen has some certainty towards his living, and, as yet, I have none. If I do not continue in Carlingford, please let me have the profits of Carlingford

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and Green Castle, from the time I had the gift until Michaelmas next, towards my charges in keeping the castle. Chester, 30 Aug.

Thanks God that the Deputy, lord James, and the rest of the Council are in such good amity.

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30 Aug. **231.** FERNANDO GONZAGA* to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 212. B. M.

Has received his letters from Aigues Mortes, 18 July, and congratulates him on the success of negociations. Prince Doria arrived here the day before yesterday with his 20 galleys and two others of the Pope. Yesterday morning the galleon and other ships from Genoa joined him. So after taking in some wine it was resolved to sail this evening. Understands the Emperor's desire to set foot this year in the enemy's land and facilitate the enterprise for next year, &c. Messina, 30 Aug. 1538.

Italian, pp. 5. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [See *Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. No. 5.]

31 Aug. **232.** CHAPUYS AND MENDOZA to CHARLES V.

Spanish Calendar, VI. i. No. 7.

Have written, of late, to Granvelle, of small matters, as of the King's discontent at his not being expressly named in the last truce, and at the precedence given to the king of Portugal; also of Castillon's excuses for having made no manifestation of joy at the truce, or peace as these people call it, said to have been concluded at Aigues Mortes, of which he had not been officially informed; yet, after the arrival of the gentleman sent by Francis through Flanders,, who went on to Scotland, the King had despatched to Flanders a servant of Wyatt and another man without informing the French ambassador of their departure. Moreover the French ambassador saw that he would have again to attend the Court 60 miles away. On his return he said, to a confidential servant, that they might summon him again to Court three or four times before he would obey; so, it seems, he has not been well treated. He firmly believed that neither of the two matches this King was negociating, in France and in Flanders, would be granted. Received, on the 13th inst., the Emperor's letters, together with the copy of those addressed to the queen of Hungary, and at once wrote to the French ambassador congratulating him upon the peace, adding that on their return from Court (whither they were going only that Don Diego might take leave of the King) they would call upon him. He answered that he was marvellously glad of the news, and would be delighted if they would publish it at Court, as confirmation of the hints he himself had already spread concerning the said truce; adding that he wished he had some trusty messenger to inform the King his master of their courtesy.

On the 17th left London for the Court 50 miles away. The King was hunting from place to place.† Audience was appointed on the 21st at a manor belonging to Cromwell. Were met on the way thither by lords Feris and Cobar (Cobham?). Were asked by Cromwell about the peace, as he called it, though he heard it was only a truce. Replied that they had no specific information about the meeting at Aigues Mortes, but they had a better understanding with France. Cromwell alluded to the subject again at dinner, counterbalancing it with the news that the Turk was already in Belgrade on the way to invade Hungary, and that the son of the duke of Cleve was already in possession of Gueldres. Report their answers. Cromwell asked if it was true that the Emperor meant to pass through France to go to Flanders. Said they had not been officially informed of it,

* The writer is called Luigi Gonzaga by Gayangos, but according to this transcript the signature is "Fernando Gonzaga." The writer is therefore apparently the count of Guastalla himself, not an imaginary son.

† He was then about Arundel.

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but thought it probable if the sea were not navigable. Being asked how the Emperor could, under cover of a simple truce, or even of a peace, perhaps as fragile, throw himself into the hands of one who had been for years his sworn enemy, said that he and Francis, as Christian princes, knew the danger it would be to themselves and the whole of Christendom if war continued, that their rival pretensions were not worth the hundredth part of the damage already done, and we were sure that no quarrel was likely to disturb their perfect friendship. To this neither Cromwell nor the other councillors, such as Derby, Dorset, Wiltshire, the bishop of Durham, the Grand Esquire,* nor Wallop, made any reply, but lowered their heads and seemed stupified. After dinner Cromwell and the other councillors went to the King, and the writers had an audience afterwards. Told him without the usual compliments, that we believed he had later news from the Imperial Court than we had; but the Emperor had already transmitted to the queen of Hungary the powers he had desired, and, since the affair of the marriages was to be discussed by the said Queen, Don Diego was recalled, to go first to Flanders, as long as she required him. Don Diego therefore asked if he could be of any use to Henry in Flanders or Spain. The King asked how he intended to go to Spain, by land or sea? Replied through France, which the King was astonished to hear, and wondered also that we had no other charge but to ask him his final determination on the principal affair, that we might communicate it to the Queen. Difficulties raised by the King about the powers, which the ambassadors said he ought to know better about than themselves, as his ambassador had seen them. Told the King the whole matter might have been settled long ago if he had sent some one to treat at once. He showed clearly an inclination to get out of the affair altogether, repeating the same objections. He then left us to converse with some of his privy councillors at a window, and, returning, said to Chapuys, "I am very glad you are to remain with us. As there will be plenty of time to discuss this and other matters I will not now go on with the subject. As to you, Don Diego, I must talk awhile with you that you may hear my confession." He then took Don Diego apart, and expressed his confidence that he would do his best to bring these matters to a satisfactory issue, but be desired him to tell the Emperor that he thought he ought to treat him frankly and say the same to the queen of Hungary. He begged Don Diego would write to him from Flanders, also from Spain, and communicate with his ambassadors as often as possible. Don Diego said he would be glad to serve him, but thought it should be sufficient if he wrote to Chapuys. The King returned to the centre of the room and begged both the ambassadors to do their best in the affair, and get the queen of Hungary to transmit to him, directly or by proxy, the substance of the powers she had received from the Emperor; otherwise he knew not how the thing could be managed. We said this was the very thing the Queen Regent had charged us to ask of him; but we could not get him to change his mind.

Two or three times, during this conversation, the King said he was already too much advanced in years to wait much longer and he must press the matter of the marriages as much as he could; which assurance we can hardly reconcile with his coolness in the affair. He gave us a further proof of his dissimulation by telling us plainly that the Infant's marriage was the principal topic of the negociation, without which it was impossible to proceed further. He had formerly sought only to conclude his own and postpone the other; now he is seeking to negociate that of the Princess only, his object being, we think, to draw from your Majesty some declaration about Milan which would sow discord between you and Francis. Whilst he was talking to Don Diego, Cromwell was making similar statements to

* Sir Nicholas Carew.

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Chapuys in a corner of the hall; saying that the Emperor was actually treating of a marriage between the young duke of Cleves and the duchess of Milan, which, he said, was injurious to his master's reputation. Chapuys said he did not believe it, but that, considering the manner in which [Henry's] negociation had been conducted, he thought the Emperor would be justified in doing so, and he was astonished to hear him say that his master would fall into disrepute through it. He knew my reasons as well as I did, and I added that now was the time to put away dissimulation and proceed to business, and, since the difficulty in the King's marriage rested chiefly in the cession of the right of the duchess Palatine to her sister of Milan, the matter should be referred to the Emperor's arbitration, as well as that of the Princess's dowry, if there be any difficulty about it; for the Emperor is far more partial towards the King than towards any other of the parties. Cromwell replied that it was the Emperor, not the English, who were cold; if there were any difficulty his master would give 20,000 crowns out of his own purse.

As we were making ready to ride, Cromwell came to us, saying he was ordered to give Don Diego 400*l.*, and repeated in substance all that the King had said to us, especially to Don Diego, urging us to promote the affair, as his master was sure that everything would be settled by means of the duchy of Milan. This he said half between his teeth, whilst we, pretending not to have taken the hint, said he might be sure of our good will, and that as the King his master had suggested that the Emperor should send powers to the queen of Hungary, it was for him to send some one thither to commence the negociation. Cromwell immediately answered that it would never do for the King to send an embassy to Flanders for such an object; after so much trouble, to conclude nothing at all would be disparaging to his reputation, and, as to sending a private person, he had no one at present whom he could trust. The ambassadors replied that the Emperor had sent Don Diego a much greater distance, and that if the King was so scrupulous about distances, he should have been doubly so when he asked that the ladies should come to Calais.

We both consider that the King is at present much perplexed at what has happened, and has lost much of his old buoyancy of spirits. He shows greater mildness, and even simplicity than before—not owing to any real goodwill to the Emperor, but owing to his uncertainty as to the course things will take. He lately resented beyond measure the mission of the above-mentioned gentleman, M. de Cenys,* sent to Scotland by king Francis, as well as some rather piquant words which the French ambassador addressed to him in introducing him; for, on the very same day, just after the audience of the two Frenchmen, Wyatt's secretary was sent to Spain with dispatches, as above mentioned. But that is nothing in comparison with his anger at hearing the French ambassador's observations at the last audience of the two, as we will explain hereafter.

The King granted us permission to visit the Prince and the Princess, though we perceived that, had we not applied for it, he would have asked us to go; for he evidently wished the latter to speak to us in terms prescribed in a letter of Cromwell addressed to her in his name. The letter was to say that she had heard on good authority of the dissimulation employed by us in discussing the affair, which concerned her individually, and that people would have expected more from your Majesty's friendship; that, being a woman, she could not help saying so much though she felt no anxiety as to the issue, for she was only obeying her loving father's commands, in whom, after God, she placed all her trust, but nothing had been concluded after so many fine words, and whereas merchants usually settle upon their daughters one-fourth of their yearly revenue in cash, it was strange that we should only have offered 20,000 ducats and those on such slender security

* Certainly Lassigny.

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that, if she had been obliged to leave England, she might not have known on what her revenue was settled. Cromwell had written to her to use the very words of this letter coupled with such gentle terms as her own wisdom might suggest, and immediately inform him of what passed at the interview with us. The Princess communicated the contents of the letter to us the day before we called, that we might prepare our answer in writing, which she might transmit to the King. This we did and believe it is flattering and satisfactory for both parties.

After visiting the Prince, who is the prettiest child we ever saw, we returned to the Princess and spoke again about Cromwell's letter, when she said her entire trust was in the Emperor, whom she held in the room both of father and mother and could not be more attached to anyone. She knew quite well it was not your fault that her marriage was advanced no further, though last Lent her father had tried to persuade her the Emperor was not in earnest about it. We took occasion to ask her if, having a favourable opportunity, she would have the courage to leave England by stealth. She was reluctant to say yes or no, but things might arrive at such a pitch and the occasion be so favourable that she would have no scruple; but her father might treat her better and she would then wish to remain.

The day before this the French ambassador had sent word that he wished to call upon us, but we out of courtesy sought to anticipate him and started for his hotel by the river side. We met him, however, just after we had started, near the hotel of Mme. de Monstreul, late governess of the deceased queen of Scotland, who is on the point of returning to France. The ambassador had been dining with her, and at our request introduced us to her; for we knew the favour she enjoyed with the King, who, knowing she was to pass through London, had sent two gentlemen of his chamber to conduct her through the city, feast and entertain her and accompany her to Dover, where the King is to meet her by appointment. She was to leave next day, but agreed to wait till our return from the Princess to be present at a dinner the ambassador wished to give us, which passed off magnificently, the Venetian secretary being of the party, but no politics were discussed at the table.

In our two interviews with the French ambassador, he gave us full hope of a lasting friendship with France. He said that, in his last two audiences with the King, the first of which was to introduce his colleague going to Scotland, who has since returned with Madame de Montreuil, he had had high words with this King, and told him he was uncourteous to ask M. de Guise to come to Calais with his daughters and nieces, and proposing to send a personage of equal rank thither to choose a damsel for him; for, in the first place, he did not think there was in all England a prince of royal descent compared to the Duke's, and, secondly, it was throwing a slur on the ladies themselves. Indeed, if such a thing were granted, the King might ask to try every one of the damsels in order to know which suited him best. He said the King grew very angry at these remarks and began to magnify his own power, saying he was quite justified in making the demand, and that the ambassador should not presume so much upon the truce with the Emperor, which was not so firm as he perhaps imagined; that he would see in a few days the King would have become master of Milan for the Princess, for the Emperor had often offered the Duchy to him, even after the meeting at Aigues Mortes, and the offer had since been renewed to his own ambassador at the Imperial Court. The French ambassador replied that these were weighty words indeed, but the things were almost impossible and he could only have Milan by force against both the Emperor and Francis, who were now so closely allied that their interests were one. The ambassador reported this conversation with some acrimony. Towards the close, he told the King, whose full confidence he professed to have once enjoyed, Methinks this is not the time for bravadoes. The ambassador also read us a letter from his master quite

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approving of the language he had used, which he had reported in a despatch of the 10th ultimo, saying it was time to curb the arrogance of the English, and he should make the King understand that Lorraine was not under his sway; that he would have to apply for the hand of the damsel to her father and mother, and as for the two daughters of Guise, one had already professed as a nun, while the other, as well as the daughter of M. de Vendôme, could not be disposed of. Francis wanted them to accompany the Queen his wife to the interview with the queen of Hungary, which, he might explain, was only for pleasure and not for political matters, and the good understanding between the Emperor and himself was daily increasing. The Constable of France writes to much the same effect, adding that the English ambassador with the Emperor had once nearly overturned the whole of Francis' plans, but there was now no fear of that. The French ambassador, however, has always asked, when he had an opportunity, when we thought peace would be concluded; for, though it was not yet made, he fully believed all matters would be adjusted, and in case of arbitration, there ought to be no other arbitrators than the Emperor and Francis, or perhaps the Queen (Eleanor) who had been the chief instrument in bringing about this and former interviews. No one knew the Emperor better than she did, and all who were jealous of the close alliance between him and France were doubtless sorry for the interview at Aigues Mortes, especially the Pope, notwithstanding the mien he had put upon it. And on our remonstrating at this insinuation he said, perhaps we were right, but his Holiness, after all, was only a man, and he could not resist the wickedness of the cardinals by whom he was surrounded. He made the very same remark at Madame de Montreuil's, and in her very presence, and afterwards repeated it at his own lodgings, adding that the Venetians were anything but pleased at the prospect of this amity. This we contradicted, pointing to their efforts to promote the alliance, without which they could not be preserved against the Turk, by whom they were now hard pressed. The ambassador said the Emperor was much more closely concerned to defend Epirus and the Morea than the Venetians. Took occasion to mention to him news received from Venice and Ragusa, of the death of the Grand Turk, though it required confirmation—a piece of intelligence not to the ambassador's taste; and we could see, from other expressions that escaped him, that Francis confidently hopes to have Milan in the end.

The ambassadors of the duke of Saxony and the landgrave of Hesse are still here, in almost daily conference with the prelates deputed by the King. A priest* who has come in their suite is now preaching every feast day at Austin Friars. The King goes on with the demolition of monasteries, and two days ago sent to the Tower the younger brother of cardinal Pole, for having corresponded with him without showing the letters to the King. Don Diego starts tomorrow. Would have done so earlier, but has only just received Henry's letters to the Emperor and the queen of Hungary. London, 31 Aug. 1538.

French, from a MS. at Vienna.

[31 Aug.?] **233.** [Sir] Thomas Hennege to Cromwell.

R. O. According to your command I have moved the King for your licence and you may go when you please. I moved his Grace also on Mr. Poynyngs' suit to you and will show you what he said at your coming hither. This morning his Grace has spoken much of Mr. Bryan and willed me to write to you to bring a book of his offices and fees, "and he thinks surely that ye have sent Mr. Wresseley unto him to know his mind as concerning the great matter that your Lordship doth know upon." Byrlynge, this morning. *Signed.*

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* Probably Myconius.

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31 Aug. **234.** John Swan, Mayor of Rye, to Cromwell.

R. O. I have received your Lordship's letter, dated Lewys, 26 August, commanding me to make a pair of indentures concerning the forfeit of nine packs of William Sonnyngs of Rone, which counterpayne of indenture I enclose. The prisoner is escaped to France. I delivered him on the surety of Thomas Johnson, now searcher, in presence of Thomas Bocher, Thomas Tyler, and John Brystow. Johnson sent Sonnyngs to London the Monday after, and received him on his return again the next Friday, and on Saturday at one in the morning was with him in a ship ready to sail for France; at which time I had business at the waterside, and met Johnson, and when he told me Sonnyngs was gone I said, "You have not done well." I beg you take no displeasure with me, but let his surety discharge the matter. Rye, first [*qu.* 31st?] of August.

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R. O. 2. Indenture, dated 31 Aug. 30 Henry VIII., describing the contents of nine packs of wool, cotton, &c., searched in presence of John Swan, mayor of Rye, Richard Nicoll and Robt. Barrons, jurats, Wm. Roberthe, town clerk, Henry Kete, porter, and Robt. Coke, commoner.

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31 Aug. **235.** Dr. John London to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 227. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries. 217. Has caused all the four Orders of Friars to change their coats. They wait for capacities, for which he has again sent up this bearer, Dr. Baskerfelde. He is an honest man, and caused all his house to surrender and change their papistical garments. Reminds Cromwell that he wrote in his favour for a capacity to dwell in Oxford, though he were beneficed, and Cromwell promised capacities to him and all others freely. He has been a visitor of various places which they call custodies, and knows many things in London and elsewhere. A friend of mine, the warden of the Grey Friars in Reading, also wishes licence for them to change their garments. Most of them are very old men. Oxon, 31 Aug.

At Merston Mr. Johan Schorn stands blessing a boot, whereunto they say he conveyed the Devil. He is much sought for ague. Proposes to convey that booted image in another place.

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R. O. 2. The names of such as desire capacities.

White Friars.

Priests. Ric. Chesse, prior; John Tyndall and Laurence Semar, bachelors of theology; Thos. Sydall, Bartholomew Blythman, Robt. Charlys, John Haynes, John Bacon.

Not in Orders. Ant. Foxton, Robt. Eston.

Dominicans.

Wm. Waterman, bachelor of theology; Thos. Borell, Peter Fletcher, Ric. Prikilbanke, Hugh Cordowen, Jas. Norys, Guy Welsch, Wm. Glanton, Hen. Mathew, Edw. Bampton; Wm. Dingle, anchorite; Davy Jonys and Henry Benet, not in orders; John Low, sub-deacon.

Grey Friars.

Priests. Edw. Baskerfelde, warden, S.T.P., desires a benefice with dispensation to reside in the University of Oxford, though above 40 years.

Brian Sanden, Ric. Roper, bachelor of theology; Ralph Kyrswell, Robt. Newman, Wm. Brown, John Comre, Jas. Cantwell, Thos. Capper, John Staffordeschyer, Wm. Bowghnell, Jas. Smyzth, Thos. Wythman.

John Olliff, sub-deacon. *Not in Orders.* Symon Ludforth, Thos. Barly, Wm. Coke, John Coke.

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Austin Friars.

Ralph Jonson, Geoffrey Tomson, Edw. Foxgill, Wm. Mory, Edm. Hyans, Thos. Fryth, Michael Symson, Geo. Elsdan, Robt. York, Robt. Baly.

Pp. 2. *In Dr. London's hand. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

236. The Friars at Oxford.

R. O. Jewels and plate pertaining to the Black Friars.

A chalice and paten of gold set with stones, 36½ oz. A silver-gilt cross, 120 oz. The foot thereof, 72 oz. 3 other chalices. A silver-gilt pax. 2 censers. A parcel gilt ship, 8 oz. A pax with silver and ivory. 2 silver parcel gilt basons. The little pyx on the altar.

The Grey Friars.

A silver-gilt cross. 4 chalices. A pyx. A censer. A pair of small cruets. 5 old masers, with silver bands, weighing with the trees 82 oz. A black horn with silver band and foot. 3 doz. spoons. A knop of the cover of a maser.

Austin Friars.

3 chalices.

White Friars.

3 chalices. A silver ship. 2 silver cruets. A silver-gilt pax. A silver-gilt censer.

Mem.—"That my lord of Develyn† carried with him from the Austin Friars," the following:—

A black nut and a red nut, with gilt covers and knops. 2 standing masers, gilt, without covers. A maser with a broad band, gilt. A salts, parcel gilt, with cover. A goblet, parcel gilt. A salt, all gilt, with covers. 2 standing cups and a little pot. 9 silver spoons with maiden's heads and six with the Apostles. 2 gilt spoons. 9*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.* in money; and a quantity of bedding, tablecloths, garnish of vessels, &c.

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31 Aug. **237.** Nicolas [Shaxton], Bp. of Sarum, to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends a bill of accusation against Sir Lovell, a priest, for preaching seditiously and speaking ungoodly of the King. Keeps him in ward till further orders. Ramesbury, 31 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Aug. **238.** Leonard Skeffyngton to Wriothesley.

R. O. Requests him to procure a warrant from my lord Privy Seal for the pay of the garrison of Nottingham Castle, in accordance with the letters of the earl of Rutland addressed both to my lord Privy Seal and to Wriothesley. Close upon four months' pay is now due. Nottingham, "the last day of August." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Wresley with my good lord Privy Seal in service. *Endd.:* xxviij° die Aug.

31 Aug. **239.** Melancthon to Joachim Camerarius.

Corpus Reform. III. 571. * * * Franciscus "ex Britannia" and Basilius‡ "ἐκ της Γαλατίας" (from France) have not yet returned. Yesterday were with us two young *Celtici* who come straight from Padua, who, although they deplore the profanity of the Italians, yet say that many good men are anxious to embrace a purer doctrine. Therefore I have determined to dedicate a psalm to the duke of Ferrara. * * * Prid. Cal. Sept.

Latin.

† Dr. George Brown, formerly prior of the Austin Friars, London, and provincial of the Order.

‡ Basil Monner, LL.D. *Ses* Seckendorff, III. 178, and Jöcher's Gelehrten Lexicon.

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— Aug. **240.** Sir Thos. Audeley, Lord Chancellor, to [Cromwell].

Otho E. x. 47. B. M. "After my right hearty commenda[tions] . . . . . perceiving by your last letters to me . . . . . King's pleasure and will is, that th . . . . . exchanges and re-eschanges should be ma[de] . . . . . taking respect to a deeper examination . . . . . sent to your Lordship the same according[ly] . . . . . marvelling somewhat that it should be also . . . . . order were taken for recompense of the p[atents] . . . . . granted of the same. And now the merchants [have their] desire, the patentees be driven to s[eek] recompense, and the merchants be well in quietness . . . . . all the benefit." I have never seen any pate[nts] taken from poor subjects without recompense. This matter touches . . . . . honesty having the King's patent. I know well that at all the . . . . . with the King's Council, it was thought convenient [that] the merchants should be relieved and the pate[ntees] recompensed, and now the merchants be abso[lutely] relevyd, and the patentees put to their suits. I care less for the profits than for the honesty. I am unhappy for patentees of offices. I am glad to hear of the King's good health and prosperity. Terlyng, ... Aug.

Hol., mutilated, pp. 2.

241. The Middle Marches of Scotland.

R. O. The "names of billes filed" since Sir John Wedderyngton, Deputy Warden of the Middle Marches, entered his office.

(1.) Day of trew at Coklawe, 25 April 29 Hen. VIII. "Sysers":— George Carr, James Carr, the lord of Hownthill: The lord of Howndhylle, George Carr, Lance's son, Robyn Davyson. Bill of John Gren of Barro, "full," upon Percy Robson; delivered for this Percy Robson, Scotchman. Bill of Jarret Rydle, "full of" Percy Robson; Robson delivered. Bill of Percival Selbeys, "full of" Dande Mydlmest; a Scotchman "fautor" delivered for this.

(2.) Day of trew at Hexspethgate, 13 May 29 Hen. VIII. Similar bills of John Bedenell on Will. Amoo, Rob. Trumbull on Jock Olyver of the Slakes, George à Potts on Arche Olyver, Roger Fenwyke on John Hall, Percival Clenelles on the laird of Moo, and Sandy Hall on Jock Laydley; "fautors" being delivered, or else the warden bound for them.

(3.) At Coklawe, 18 June. The weather so foul that nothing could be done.

(4.) At Coklawe, 27 June 29 Hen. VIII. Bills enrolled and "fulled" ready for "liverance."

(5.) At Coklawe, 12 July 29 Hen. VIII. Bills of Andde Haull on John Robson and Chairle Aynesle of the Mill; Robt. Collingwood on George Robson, Thurbrandhugh, Will. Robson, and Jas. Robson of Hownen Grange; Hen. Collingwud on Hobb Lomysden of Stokestruther, Bertte Hall on Hobbe Anysle of Doffynston and Riche Aynesle of Fawley, Jerry Fenwyke on the laird Amoo and Luchant Will. Amo, Belles Ersdon on Hobbe Dougles, and George Dychant on the lord Corbet.

(6.) Coklawe, Thursday, 6 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. Bill of John Crysty of Hedgisle and his neighbours on Mungo Dowgles, Hobe Dowgeles of Caphup, Charile Dowgles of the Kirk, for four horses, three swords, and three daggers; of Andro Haull, called Spyrell, on James and Wat Robson and George Blakewatt "of trublant Thome Pott of the Hern House."

(7.) Coklawe, 24 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII. Bills of Thome Haull of Crossebankes, Robert of Collingwood, Rob. Haull of Wiskersheyll, Percival Selby, Percival Fenwick, Andro Haull, John Wylkynson of Barro, Jas. Wylkynson of Insighte, and Hobe Potte of Durtres.

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(8.) Coklawe, 9 May 30 Hen. VIII. Bills of Percy Fenwick, John Horsle, and Hobbe Whytte. "Sycers":—George Carr of Fawdonside, the lord of Grenehedes and Rauffe Carr; Henry Davyson, John a Bourne, and Robyn Carr.

(9.) Coklawe, Monday, 26 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. Bill of Percival Selbye. "Sycers":—George Carr of Fawdonside, Dave Carr of Litillden, and the lord of the Howntyhyll; the lord Abown Jedworth, Robyn Ellett, and the lord of Howndhyll.

(10.) Coklaw, 30 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. Bills of George Fenwick, Sandde Haull, Wille Haull, Thos. Collingwudd, George Dychant, Roger Horsle, Peter Snawdon, and Watt Downe.

"Sum of English bills full and lyvertt for principal and doble" 310*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*

ii. List of similar bills with the amounts of each in money:—

Bills of Thos. Doffanby "full of" Gib. Oliver, for 10 oxen and 2 mares, 16*l.* 13*s* 4*d.*; Sir John Weddrington, 6 horses, 20*l.*; John Horsle, 16 sheep, 3*l.* 4*s.*; Old Tome Browne; Percy Hall, a cow, 20*s.*; Thom Sponner, "a noxe," 26*s.* 8*d.*; Peter Hall, 9 swine, 40*s.*; Martin Hedles, 3 brood sows and a boar, 4*l.*; Thos. Fenwick, Wm. Fenwick, Renzen Goodayle, Thom Storrar, Jenkyn Anderson, Thom Anderson, "Thom Anderson the lord his bill full of slaughter of Will. Edgare, his servant, in following of a mare, 26*l.* 8*d.*," Watt Down, Henry Anderson, George Gybson, Chr. Selbey, John Grene, of Barro, Thome Grene, Thom Gybson, John Gayre, Hobbe Smythe, George Fenwick, Lyall Greye, Sand Hall, Humph. Hall, James Pott. The day of liverance of the bills aforesaid appointed, 4 March. Total, 165*l.* 4*s.*

Large paper, pp. 6.

— Aug. **242.** Sir Edw. Nevyll to Cromwell.

R.O. On Monday last a Scotchman was taken at Rochester with letters and a pardon from Rome, sealed by four cardinals and others. Sends him up by the mayor and officers. He tried to break one of the letters in pieces. Thinks it is procured by some spiritual men of this realm. *Signed.*

P 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Aug.

243. John Warney (Varney) to Cromwell.

R. O. Asks him to get the King's signature to his bill for having the patent of his office* during his life. Hears that Mr. Bryan is sore sick and and in danger. Fears if he dies some other will make suit; for he stayed the having out of the writer's patents, which he trusts now to obtain for his long service.

†*Hol., p.* 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* John Verney.

[Aug.] **244.** Sir William Bassett to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 238. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 143. According to your Lordship's late letters to me I send by bringer, my brother Francis Bassett, the images of St. Anne of Buxstone and St. Mudwen of Burton-on-Trent. Brought them to my house within 48 hours after sight of your letter, in as sober manner as I could. That there should be no more idolatry, I defaced the tabernacles where they stood, took away "cruchys, schertes, and schetes with wax offeryd" and charged the keepers to allow no more offerings to be made. I also locked up and sealed the baths and wells at Buxstone that none may wash therein till your further pleasure be known. The bearer can report the "fond trust" the people had in these images. Langley.

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* Steward of Berkhampstead and King's Langley. *See* Vol. VII., p. 146.

† The whole letter, including the signature "Warney" for "Varney" is in a clerk's hand.

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[Aug.] **245.** DISAFFECTION in LINCOLNSHIRE.

R. O. On Our Lady Day the Assumption, 30 Hen. VIII., Sir Robt. Tyrwhyt, Sir Wm. Ayscugh, Robt. Tyrwhyt, esq., Thos. Dymok, Wm. Dalyson, and Robt. Dighton, and other justices of Lyndysay, being at Thorneton Abbey, committed Thos. Bawmburgh, of Barrow, to the stocks, and Laurence his father abused the constable of Barrow, James Clarke, for taking his son, and used these words "Thys doyng ys powlyng and I trust thys worlde wyll amend ons."

On the morrow Clarke and others (named) presented the said words in writing to Sir Wm. Ascugh at Stalyngborough; but he said "Get you home and agree together, for you will never let till one of you undo another." Sir William repeated these words openly in the sessions at Caster where Robt. Tyrwhit, Esq. found fault with them. Afterwards Clarke presented the words of the said Laurence to Sir Robt. Tyrwhyt, who considered them to be heinous against the King and sent Laurence to Lincoln Castle.

The cause of Thos. Bawmburgh's committal was that, during a case between him and the abbot of Thorneton, he used many proud words to the abbot. Whereupon Thos. Dymok said to him, "Get thee hence, there is over many such busy fellows in the country as thou art." To this Bawmburgh answered with a proud stomach, "By God's blood, there will be mo or they be fewer."

ii. Articles reciting the misdemeanor of Robt. Hanschey *alias* Smyth, of Barowe, Linc. Clark the constable accuses him of interfering with him in the case of getting a watch, the punishment of a "valyent begger," who "had no letter," and the taking of Laurence Bawmburgh.

The names of 13 justices present at the exhibiting of this bill are given.

Hanschey is sentenced to the pillory at Barton and Caister markets, one hour each; Stevyn Teynby, who was his companion, to the pillory at Barton.

Sir Wm. Ascugh complained of this judgment as without precedent; but one of the justices pointed out that they had the King's letter for the punishment of such offenders. Sir William answered that it seemed Hanschey had the worse favour because he (Sir W.) favoured him. John Hennage said that was "foolishly spoken," and Sir Robt. Tyrwhyt rebuked him for maintaining such lewd fellows, and said Barrowe was never quiet since Sir Wm. bare any rule there.

When the constable of Barrowe at the last session at Caster presented the bill of Hanschey's and Teynby's misdemeanours, Sir Wm. put it in his purse.

Pp. 6. *Endd.*

Aug. **246.** BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

R. O. Injuries done by Roger Gyffard of Cleydon, and his sons John, George, Raffe, William, and Nicholas, to Thos. Gyffard, of Twyford. They persuaded the abbot of Notley to falsify a lease to Thos. Gyffard, of the parsonage of Hyllesden, made 16 Hen. VIII., that it might come to their hands. The lessee, at the duke of Suffolk's request, allowed John to have the rest of the lease for 40*s.* a year, which has never been paid. He also lent John 6*l.* six years ago, which has never been repaid. About five years ago Raffe, with Dycke of the Forest, Hugh Snow, and others, fished the several pond in Thos. Gyffard's park, and the Pasture pond, also belonging to him, and caught a great number of bream, as appears by Dycke's and Snow's examination before Mr. Polstede, at the command of my lord Privy Seal. About Christmas two years ago the King wrote to Thos. Gyffard to provide carp and other fish for his manor of Cornebury. He drew his pools and put the chosen fish into Theves pond, which was robbed in the night, before they could be taken to Cornbury, by persons from Claydon. Raffe Giffard stole five carps worth five crowns out of the same pond, and on the 6th of

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this August, the Warell's pond was robbed, and a cart was traced thence to Steple Claydon, where Raffe Gyffard lives, and nets and other things were found there. Raffe told those sent by Thos. Giffard that he would fish his ponds before his face. About five years ago Nicholas Gyffard, with John Browne and Ric. Geffrey, were taken in Thomas's park at night with a stalking-horse, crossbows, and longbows, and on last St. Thomas's Day a buck was killed and Raffe's bitch found feeding on the paunch in the park. The keeper's hound drew straight towards Claydon, but Thomas ordered him to stop, as he did not wish his kinsman's conduct to be talked of in the country.

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247. Ireland.

R. O. Robert Cowley's device for the reformation of Ireland.

Commences by detailing the abuses, as absentee landlords, alliances with Irishmen, residence of the Deputy in Dublin being fixed, neglect of all the land except the four shires of the English Pale, danger of Irishmen combining if attacked (at the last hosting upon OBrien the pretended earl of Desmond assisted him), Englishmen who are disobedient (Desmonds, Barries, Roches, McWilliams, Burkes, Dillons, Daltons, Dalamares, and others), small bishoprics possessed by papistical wretches who oppress the people.

"The remedies for the enormities premised," the first of which is that the Deputy may be "a grave, discreet, politic man working not with heady rage [but] by advice of sage expert personages."

A marriage has long been brewing betwixt Kildare's sister Eleanor and Manus ODonell now called ODonell, which I, Robert Cowley, have delayed these four years. Now since my coming into England she has married ODonell, and taken the brood of traitors young Gerot, James Delahide, and the Walshes with her, and if they combine with ONele they may cause much trouble. There is contention between ONele and ODonell for certain lands now really belonging to the King's earldom of Ulster. ODonell's title should be to support it in order to sever him from ONele.

In Cowley's hand, pp. 5. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Another copy.

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248. Friar [Dove].

R. O. Interrogatories to the prior of the friars at Calais.

1. Where he was made friar? *The answer follows in Morysine's hand. but is crossed out:* "He answereth in Ichchen in Hertfordshire where he tarried from 10 to 14 or 15 year of age." 2. Where he has studied? 3. Where he has been master and in how many places? 4. By whose means he has been promoted to any office and who has chiefly helped him? 5. By whose means he was made prior of Calais? 6. By what means and by whose help he became acquainted with the lord Deputy there? 7. How many of the Council of the town he took to be his friends? 8. And how many his enemies or unfavourable to his opinions? 9. How many of the retinue he took to be of his faction? 10. And how many of the contrary opinion? 11. Who encouraged him to hear the sermons of one Adam,* who came lately out of Germany? 12. Who encouraged him to come to England to depose against the said Adam? 13. Who directed him to the bishops of London, Chichester, and Durham? 14. What letters he had to them, and whether he were privy to their contents? 15. What intercourse he has had with the said bishops, or any of them [whether] before his going over or not? 16. What

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conferences he has had with them since his coming over; how often and in whose presence? 17. What letters he has written to those or other bishops any time these four years, and what letters he has received from them or any other person within this realm, and what they contained? 18. What intelligence he has with my lord Chamberlain, to whom he lately wrote, how many letters he has written to him, how long they have been acquainted, and what letters he has received from my lord Chamberlain, or any of his household? 19. Who directed any letters from Calais to John Gostyk in his favour, and what communications have been between them? 20. Who directed him to my lord of Durham, why he went to him, what communication he had with him, how often, and how he departed from him? 21. Who directed him to the bishop of London, how often he was with him, whereupon they conferred, and what conclusions passed between them? 22. Who addressed him to my lord of Chichester, &c.? 23. Whether he were privy to the bishop of London's letters to the lord Deputy of Calais, what the bishop meant by the ending, "wherein he prayed that all should not perish there as it is lost here," and what words were between the bishop and him at the delivery of the letters?

In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 5. *Endd.*; Interrogatories to the prior of the White Freers in Calais and answer to the same.

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1. John the abbot, and the convent of the monastery St. Osith, Essex. Licence to alienate by deed the manor of Aburton, Essex; and advowson of Aburton church; and all lands, &c., in Aburton, Langenhoo, Peldon, Estmersey, and Leyr de la Haye, Essex; the manor of Abottes, Suff., and all manors, &c., in Denham, Dalham, Dunstall, and Ousdon, Suff., to Sir Thos. Audeley, the Chancellor. Terlyng, 1 Aug. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 1, *m.* 19.

2. Humph. Horton, clk. Grant of the prebend and canonry of Wyggynton, in the collegiate church of Tomworth, Cov. and Lich. dioc., vacant by the death of Roger Dyngley, clk. Arundel Castle, 16 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Waltham Holy Cross, 1 Aug. anno subscripto.* — P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 10.

3. John Pilkyngton, clk., King's chaplain. To be rector of the parish church of Bradley, Cov. and Lich. dioc., *vice* Roger Dyngley, dec. Arundel Castle, 16 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Waltham, 1 Aug. anno subscripto.*—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 10.

4. Thos. Shawe. Licence to alienate the manor of Markhall, Essex, to Sir Hen. Parker lord Morley and his heirs by fine. Westm., 3 Aug. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 1, *m.* 20.

5. Baptista Monteso, of Spain. Licence to buy and export 300 tuns of beer. Oking, 25 July 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Terling, 6 Aug. —P.S.

6. Wm. Gibbs, clk. Presentation to the parish church and rectory of Northlufnam, Linc. dioc., void by death. Pettiswoorthe, 1 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 10.

7. Robt. Asplond. Licence to alienate the manor of Heydon and certain land, &c., in Heydon, Magna Chishill, and Chrishall, Essex, and the advowson of Heydon church, to John Sterne, sen., Thos. Castell, John Sterne, jun., and Wm. Sterne; to be regranted to the said Robt. and Eliz. Serle, widow, and the heirs of the said Robert. Castell Campes, 14 Aug. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 5, *m.* 13.

8. Sir Anth. Brown. Grant in fee of the house and site of the late abbey of Battle, Sussex, now dissolved, the church, steeple, and churchyard thereof, and lands, &c. (specified) in Batell, Marley, and Howe, Sussex; the lordship and manor of Batell, the rectory, advowson, &c., of the parish church there, and all lands, &c., in Batell, Marley, Sedelescombe, Watlington, Hormountishurst, Wartlington, Cattesfeld, Tellam, Ukham, Swynham, Wyllingdon, Westdene, Holyngton, Beckyshill, Bodyham, and Agmershirste, Sussex, and Romneymershe, Kent, belonging to the said late abbey. To hold the premises in as full manner as John Hamond, the late abbot, held the same, at 12*d.* rent, discharged of all corrodies, &c., except the above rent and an annual fee of 100*s.* granted under convent seal to Ambrose

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Comport for life, and an annual pension of 106*s.* 8*d.* to the dean of Batell. Manor of Cowdery, 7 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Erlys Colne (enrolled Westm.) 15 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3 *m.* 11.

9. Anth. Anthony, one of the grooms of the Chamber. Licence for 7 years to buy and export 200 tuns of double beer and 200 weyes of cheese. Chichestre, 13 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurche, 20 Aug. —P.S.

10. Edm. Knyghtley, serjeant-at-law. Grant in fee of the ground, church, steeple and churchyard of the dissolved monastery of Studeley, and the manor of Studeley, with all lands belonging to them in the parish of Studeley, a field called Barborsfielde, a croft called Huntiscroft, in the tenure of John Ede, one of the tenants in Studeley; and two small parcels of pasture called Gibbsclosis, in the tenure of Joan Wright, widow of Thos. Wright, one of the tenants in Studeley, in the parish of Ippisley; the advowson of the vicarage of Studeley, and the escheats, wards, marriages, &c., in said parish; in as full manner as John Yardeley, the late prior, held the same.

Also the rents and reversions reserved upon the following leases by Thos. Alwode, the prior, and the convent of Studeley, viz.:—

(1.) 10 June 20 Edw. IV., to Adam Yardeley, of a messuage and garden in Studeley, opposite the cross in Kennell Strete, in which the said Adam then dwelt; a close called "le Shepcroft" lying in length and breadth between the pasture called Dunstall and the common called "le Hethe;" two acres of meadow called Moremedow, between the meadow of the heirs of Alexander Rusheton, on the north, and that of the said prior on the south, nine selions of land with a meadow at the end lying in "le Haddeway," and extending from "le Hilmedowbroke" to the little way at the end aforesaid; an enclosure called "le Newlonde," lying in length and breadth between Dunstallfilde Grange and the lane called Nelys Lane; and another croft lying in length between the highway from Borsley to Aucytor, and the said croft called Newlonde, and in breadth between the said lane called Nelys Lane and a croft then in the tenure of one John Golham, in Studeley—to hold to the said Adam and Agnes his wife in survivorship; at the annual rent of 37*s.*

(2.) 18 April 13 Hen. VII. to Robt. Morgayne, now dec., and Anne, his wife, still living, of a mansion with kitchen and other houses thereto belonging in the site of the said late priory, with a garden lying [extending] from said mansion to the water called Arrow, with fishery therein, through the space opposite said garden; and with another fosse of water running from the south of the said garden, with fishery in the same; with free ingress and egress with *foculia*, ropes, and other necessaries from the place called the great court ["Magna Curia"] by the lower doors of the great or old hall; also a stable near the great gate of the said priory, with a loft thereto adjoining; in survivorship; at 20*s.* rent.

(3.) 10 March 15 Hen. VII., to Ric. Parsonnes, now dec.; for 40 years; at 13*s.* 4*d.* rent.

(4.) 14 March 19 Hen. VII., to Wm. Crowley and Alice, his wife; for 39 years; at 42*s.* 6*d.* rent.

(5.) 26 Oct. 12 Hen. VII., to Robt. Morgayne, now dec., and Anne his wife, of pasture land in Studeley Park; in survivorship, at 20*s.* rent.

Annual value, 49*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.*; rent of 8*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.*

Also grant, at the said Edmund's request, to Ursula Knyghtley, his wife, of an annual rent of 15*l.* fee-farm of the manor of Fallesley, Northt., which Joan Knyghtley, widow of Sir Ric. Knyghtley, dec. holds, for life, with remainder in tail male to the said Edm. with contingent remainder in tail male to Valentine Knyghtley, with contingent remainder to the right heirs of said Sir Richard. To hold, with similar remainders in tail, to the said Edmond and then to Valentine, and afterwards to the right heirs of said Edm. Also confirmation to the said Joan, Edm., and Valentine, and to Joan Knottisfurde, Susan Knyghtley, Anne Knyghtley, Mary Knyghtley, and Francis Knyghtley, daughters and heirs of Ric. Knyghtley, dec., s. and h. of the said Sir Ric., in whom the said reversion now rests; of their estate and title in the said manor of Fallesley. To hold by the annual rent of 2*d.* *Del.* Westm., 22 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 24.

11. John Pope, LL.B. Presentation to the parish church of Belton, Linc. dioc. *vice* Henry Lytherland, last rector, dec., in the King's gift by reason of the manifold treasons proved against the said Henry. Castle of Arundell, 16 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Brantham (enrol. Westm.) 23 Aug. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 9.

12. Ric. Longman. To be yeoman of the King's pavilions and tents in England and elsewhere under John Farlyon, serjeant of the same. Castle of Arundel, 19 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 24 Aug. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 16.

13. Fras. Dawtry. Grant in fee of the house and site of the late priory of St. Denis in South Stoneham, Hants; the grange in South Stoneham, Hants, and certain acres of land, &c., in South Stoneham; the manors of Porteswood and Northam; two gardens behind the tenements of the said Francis in the town of Southampton in the tenure of Ralph Hayward; the tenement called "le Bordelhouse" and three cottages in Bullestrete in the parish of

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St. Michael in the town, late in the tenure of Sir John Dawtry and now in that of Sir Ric. Lyster, Chief Baron of the Exchequer, with toft and curtilage adjoining on the east side of Bullestrete there; all which belonged to the said late monastery; and the manor of Lokerley, Hants, and lands, &c., in Est Deane, Hants, belonging to the same late priory, which John Whitland now holds by copy of court roll of the said manor; with liberties; in as full manner as Walter Maye, the late prior, held the same. Clear annual value 32*l.* 15*s.*; rent 65*s.* 6*d.* *Del.* Berechurche, 26 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 19.

14. Geo Taylor, a gentleman usher of the Chamber. To have the moiety of the rectory of Goddston *alias* Wolkamstede, Surr. not exceeding 4 mks. a year, late belonging to the monastery of Lessness, Kent, and in the King's gift by the attainder of Thomas, late cardinal of York. Ewrige, 23 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Lyghes, 29 Aug,—P. S.

15. John Farlyan, yeoman of the revels. To be the pavilioner or serjeant of the King's pavilions and tents; with fees of 20*l.* a year and a livery. Bedgeburye, 28 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 30 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 9.

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250. RAFE SADLEYR to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O.

Mr. Pary, my Lord's servant, presented the letter you procured for me to the prior of Coventry, and received a verbal answer, which he has written to John Hales (enclosed). Thinks it will come to good effect if well followed. Encloses also copy of a letter devised by John Hales to be written by my Lord to the prior. Begs Wriothesley to get one of his clerks to copy or amend it, and ask my Lord to sign it that it may be sent tomorrow.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

251. THOS. CHAPMAN, Warden of the Friars Minors, London, to MASTER NEWELL,* Steward of the Abp. of Canterbury.

Cleop. E. IV. 33. B. M.

Prays his assistance in a cause, but first will explain what moves him to write. Quotes passages of Scripture to prove that things in themselves good are to be eschewed if they offend our neighbour. Now the coat that they wear and the fashion that some of them use is the occasion of evil. The writer is warden, and has laboured to amend it in vain, so it is time to call for more help. All the house would gladly change their coats provided they have a living, and that living the writer could devise and put the King to no cost. Would show this to the lord Privy Seal, who has ever befriended him, but hears his Lordship has forbidden them to come in to speak with him. Could, however, remind his Lordship of some things which would be a way towards a better order of religion than is now. I wish you could speak to his Lordship of this, for I know you are my friend, and I am the same man as when I was with you. We all long to change our coats.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Right reverend . . . . in Lambeth.

252. The WARDEN [CHAPMAN] of the GREY FRIARS, London, to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. IV. 97. B. M.

Your Lordship commanded me to send the names of my brethren, and you would send a dispensation of our papistical and slanderous apparel. It has not been rightly used for many years, and no doubt God moves the hearts of princes to take it away and to correct them for their sins, as he

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* Apparently Ric. Nevell. *See* Cranmer's Letters, 297, 332, 374, 386, 400.

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corrected the children of Israel by the Chaldeys and Babylons. I and my brethren are ready to obey your least writing. I remain in such apparel as you saw me in at Chichester. We all long for your dispensation. If you will make "your dispensation by any man's name here, I have sent them in this other letter."

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

253. JOHN TRACHER, Yeoman, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Complaint against his landlord, Robert Cheyny, Esq., of Chessamboys, Bucks, who, because he has been glad to read the New Testament and other books set forth by the King's authority, warned him on Palm Sunday last to leave his ground at Michaelmas next, and caused the gentleman who owns the house in which he dwells to give him like warning. Requests a letter to Mr. Cheyny to allow him to remain till Michaelmas 12 months, as he has fallowed the ground ready for next wheat sowing.

Large paper, p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

254. JOHN FREMAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. I desire to live and to have some mean living to maintain life withal, which cannot be had without your help. I often remember your kind words when I was last at Windsor, that you trusted ere ye died to see me spend by the King's grace 100*l.* a year. Please move his Highness to give me the third of that sum. I request the demesnes of Hawnby* Abbey, in Lincolnshire, which I have in farm for 36*l.* 7*s.* I have written to my friend Mr. Wrethsle.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Sept. **255.** SIR BRYAN TUKE to CROMWELL.

Titus B. I. 402. B. M. St. P. I. 584. Informed Cromwell by his last of the payment of 400*l.* "in elect angels" to the Imperial ambassador Mendoza, for which he has an acquittance in Spanish. He was singularly well contented. Wrote also of his liberal reward of 21 angels given to Tuke's clerks and servants, while he detained Tuke with other pastimes. Did his utmost afterwards to decline it, but means now to get him a horse worth 9 angels more. As the abbey of St. Austin's, Canterbury, is now surrendered, and his Majesty in those parts, mentions a claim his father had to some lands beside Hithe and Sandwich, including Norborne, which the abbot of St. Austin's had, and another lordship that the prior of Christchurch had. Would be glad to buy the former. London, 1 Sept. 1538.

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1 Sept. **256.** THOMAS THACKER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis, 3 S., III. 100. "One Basset, servant to my lord of Canterbury, hath, by your Lordship's commandment, as he saith, brought to your place by Friar Augustines in London the image of St. Anne of Bukston, and also the image of St. Moodwyn of Burton-upon-Trent, with her red cow and her staff, which women labouring of child in those parts were very desirous to have with them to lean upon and to walk with it." Have bestowed the images by our Lady of Ipswich. One Mody's ship, with goods of merchants of London, "from the mart," is taken by pirates of Norway, to the loss to Sir Ralph Waryn, good Mr. Lock, Rowland Hyll, and others, of 10,000*l.* London, 1 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My Lord my master. *Endd.*

* Hagneby, or Haughnaby, one of the small monasteries suppressed in 1536. The demesne lands were actually granted to Freeman on the 23rd November 1538.

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1 Sept. **257.** Sir Wm. Penison to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. I. 583.

My lady of Montreuill arrived here with her gentlewomen and the French ambassador on Friday at 6. The Master of the Rolls met her half a mile out of the town, and the mayor and sheriffs in the town. The prior, the Master of the Rolls, and the mayor and sheriffs presented her with fish, wine, fruit, wax, &c. Told her of Cromwell's letter of the 28th, and she is content to stay till the King comes to Dover. Showed her the church and St. Thomas' shrine, at which she marvelled. The prior showed her St. Thomas' head but she would not kiss it. In the afternoon the prior sent her fowls, &c., which she desired him to come and help to eat. She supped with the ambassador. Canterbury, 1 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Sept. **258.** Sir Fras. Bryan to Cromwell.

R. O.

Dr. Myhell arrived here last night and showed me your Lordship's letter to him, authorising him by the King's command to come to me in my extreme sickness. I had before Dr. Cromer, who has taken great pains with me, but I must abide the will of God. Your great kindness and the coming of the Doctor have revived me, and I desire to live to do you some service in recompense. I would write more but for extreme pain and lack of good remembrance. This gentleman, who has taken great pains with me, both beyond the seas and here, will report more fully. Beningdon, 1 Sept.

Entirely in a clerk's hand, p. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Sept. **259.** Wm. lord Sandys to the Keeper of Cromwell's House at the Austin Friars.

R. O.

Has received the King's command, by letters of the lord Privy Seal, to pull down the image at Basingstoke and send "the seyd idoloe" to his house at the Austin Friars. Sends it accordingly. Motesfount. 1 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

1 Sept. **260.** Fordham, or Bigyng Priory.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 608.

Surrender (by prior and convent) of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Camb. and Suff. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 1 Sept. 1538. *Signed by* Wm. Baynton, prior, and three others.

[*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 21.]

Seal perfect.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *No.* 49] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

R. O.

2. Names and pensions of the late prior and canons of Fordham *alias* Byggyng, Camb., which surrendered 26 Aug. 29 (*sic*) Hen. VIII., viz.:—

Wm. Baynton, prior, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Culey, Ric. Browne, and Wm. Taylor, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each. *Signed:* Phylyp Parys.

P. 1. *Endd.:* Warrant.

[1 Sept.] **261.** Bonner to Cromwell.

Foxe V. 152.

Barnaby arrived 29th ult. with your Lordship's letters dated Eutrecht (Ewrige) the 24th. Supposing that the bp. of Winchester, Thirleby and I had all been lodged together, he went straight to the bp.'s lodgings while

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Thirleby and I were in the fields, and in reply to inquiries (not as to how the King did, which the Bishop did not ask) said his Grace was at Berlin (Birling ?)* and Brian and Wallop were at the Court at his departure; that he had no letters to him from them or any other; and that the King had given Bonner the bpric. of Hereford. At this last the Bp. "cast down his head, making a plaice mouth with his lip, and afterwards lifting up his eyes and hands (as cursing the day and hour it chanced), seemed so evil contented therewith that he would neither bid Barnaby drink or tarry supper," but reported the tidings to one Master Medowe. He takes everything heavily that is for Bonner's preferment. Barnaby then went in search of Bonner, who, while walking with Thirleby, had been advising him not to be deceived by the bp. of Winchester, "who, I said, made him, not for any hearty love I thought he bare unto him, but either in despite of me, to whom he thought it should be greatly displeasant, either else under colour thereof, and by familiarity, for to grope him, and to serve his own crafty purposes by him." After Thirleby had left him, Bonner returned to his lodging, where he was met by Barnaby, "whose salutation was after that sort that it caused me to wonder at it, especially I having no expectation or hope of such thing as he rehearsed unto me. And surely, my good lord, I would not believe him in the thing he told, till I perceived the same by the superscription of your Lordship's letter, which he afterwards delivered unto me." Keeping Cromwell's letter unbroken, went to communicate the news to Thirleby, but not finding him read the letter and sent it to him afterwards. As Barnaby had other letters to deliver to him secretly, went with him to his lodging where he read both Cromwell's second letter to himself and the other sent to Wyat.

1 Sept. **262.** ANTHOINETTE DE BOURBON (Duchess of Guise) to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. II. 20. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Rouvray has been here some time helping me in the matter of you and your son, in which we shall do the best we can. Nothing is changed since I wrote by an *argentier françois* except the death of the bailly of Dunoys. His son has got his place of the Great Council and is seeking hard to obtain the said *bailliage*. Your father has written to me for advice in the matter, and I have told him to write to the President at Chateaudun to know if the son is capable or whether he knows a better man. I said also I did not know the son but I had heard much praise of the *avocat* of Chateaudun. Rouvray is returning by Paris and will know what has been done, and write to you of everything. He can tell you nothing more agreeable than of the health of our grandson, who is as well as I ever saw him; "toujours bien rongnous mais il nen leyse a bien dormir, combien que quelque fois il vouldret estre grate, mais cella se pase legerement, et sy mange fort bien. L'on le mayne souvent a l'esbat quy me senble ly fait grant bien. Je le vous souhete souvent." I think you would find him grown and become plump. As to the others, your sister is still ill of the fever and has had this last week a *fleux de ventre*, which has weakened her much. "Il y a bien huit jours elle [ne] bonge pleus du lyst." Since yesterday the flux has begun to abate, but I see no great amendment of the fever, although the physicians think it will be shortened owing to the flux. Your brother Claude has also been ill, even to death, of a "fleux de sanc" with continued fever, "dont il lest rencheut par deus fois," and being on the way to return hither where his father sent him, has thought best to remain at Aultun, where he still is. I

* The King might have been intending to go to Birling in the end of August when Barnaby left, for he was in Kent during September. He was at Ewrige (Eridge Park) from the 23rd to the 25th August and at Bedgebury on the 28th. He was probably at Birling about the 31st. *See* No. 233.

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262. Anthoinette de Bourbon (Duchess of Guise) to the Queen of Scotland—*cont.*

have sent my litter to bring him. I am informed he is quite out of danger and is ready to come. Your sister Anthoinette is also ill of a fever and of a rheum, but I think she will do well. Your aunt is sent for to be at Court at the coming of the queen of Hungary, who is to be presently at Compiegne, where the King and all the Court will be in a few days. It is but two days since the gentleman of the king of England who was at Havre and the painter were here. The gentleman came to me, pretending that he was going to the Emperor, and having heard that Louise was ill would not go without seeing her, that he might report news of her to the King his master. He saw her (it was the day of her fever) and talked with her as he had done to me. He then told me that being so near Lorraine he wished to go to Nency to see the country. "Je me doute (*doubtai*) in contynent il y allet voir la demoyselle* pour la tirer comme les aultres;" for which reason I sent to their lodging to see who was there, and found the said painter was there. In fact they have been at Nency, where they spent a day, and were well entertained, and at every meal the *maître de hôtel* came to eat with them, with plenty of presents. "Vella se que jen ay encore seu; au pis alle sy navyes pour voysine vostre seur se pouret estre vostre cousine." There is some proposal that the Emperor should give compensation for the duchy of Gueldres and a marriage should be arranged between the daughter of Hungary and the Marquis.† "Mons. vostre pere entent bien, se fesant avoir sa part en la dite recompence. Je vouldres il en fuset bien recompenses." That is all the news since I wrote. I write so many letters *à l'aventure* that I hope some will reach you. These I deliver to Rouvray to give them to the banker of Paris to forward to you. I doubt you will not be equally diligent in despatching them, for I know well you take after your father and are lazy about writing, unless the air of Scotland has changed you. I have only received your first letters. I long to hear how you have been since. 1 Sept.

Hol., Fr., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.:* Madame de Guise.

1 Sept. **263.** The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 118. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Understands that the King her husband has imprisoned *de par luy* in Edinburgh, one Hue Cambel of Laudon.‡ Is asked by many good men to write that the Queen may intercede for him and procure his return to France, and that his men and goods meanwhile may be put in safety. Bloys, 1 Sept. 1538. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A la Royne d'Escosse ma niepce.

1 Sept. **264.** John Frederic, Duke of Saxony and Philip, Landgrave of Hesse, to Henry VIII.

Corp. Reform. III. 577.

For the substance of this letter *see* No. 427. 1 Sept. § 1538.

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* Anne, daughter of Anthony duke of Lorraine, who in 1540 married the prince of Orange.

† The marquis of Pont à Mousson.

‡ Apparently Sir Hugh Campbell of Loudon, hereditary sheriff of Ayr.

§ This letter, of which an extract is printed in Seckendorff, III. 181, is said to have been composed by Melanchthon, but apparently it was only a first draft. The date and signatures in the copy printed by Bretschneider (which is among the Weimar MSS.) are added by another hand. The letter actually sent was dated 25 Sept., and some alterations were made in the text. See Bindseil's Melanchthonis Epistolæ, 119; also No. 427.

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265. PETRUS TASCHIUS to GEORGIUS.

Corp. Reform. III. 580.

Comforts him in the persecutions to which their sect (the Anabaptists) is exposed. In England the truth silently but widely is propagated and powerfully increases; God knows for how long! The brethren have issued a printed book *De incarnatione Christi*. I have read it and congratulate ourselves for such a gift. Reading it I felt that God was with them. I myself might have gone to England if conscience had not compelled me to come hither; but God may yet give the opportunity of going thither.

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Lat., translated from the German by Melanchthon.

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266. [SIR] HEW TREVANYON to CROMWELL.

Received his letter on the last day of August 30 Hen. VIII. by the hands of John Recounger, a Breton, about the arrest of Lyly and his fellows. One Thos. Lyllyck, John Kebell, and Jas. Browne were stayed by means of a Breton at Penryn within Falmouth, and brought to him three or four days before the assizes at Launceston on Aug. 2, where they were examined and discharged by Sir Thos. Willoughby, justice of assize. In consequence of Cromwell's letter has taken Lyllyck and Kebell, but cannot find Browne. Sends their examinations. Has caused the merchandise sold at Penryn by the said Wm. Skarlott to be got in safety so that what remains unsold will be forthcoming. Sends the names of the buyers. Will keep Lyllyck and Kebell till he knows the King's pleasure. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

ii. The confession, 12 July 30 Hen. VIII., of those who bought wares of Wm. Skarlett at Penryn, within Falmouth, viz., Wm. Carvanall, John Taylour, John Jakes, Wm. Carnesew, and John George. The goods were nails and other hardware, books called "Abseis" (*i.e.*, A B C's), playing cards, penners and ink horns, matins books for children, painted papers, "two pyctures of yerth," lanterns, &c.

John Tresithny, gentleman, constable of Penryn, has a coffer bound with iron plate, sealed by the customer, containing things to the value of 16*s.* 8*d.*

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iii. The examination of Thos. Lyllyck and John Kebell, taken at Caryhas, 2 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. before Sir Hugh Trevanyon, knt., sheriff of Cornwall, in presence of Thos. Chamond, Esq., J.P., John Flamak, usher of the King's Chamber, and others.

Answers to 10 articles concerning the "*Clement*" of London sent into Ireland, a-fishing, by Wm. Skarlott, with Thos. Lyllyck as master and 20 persons (14 named) in the crew, all from London. Committed no robbery, but bought from a Flemish man-of-war at the Isle of Wight a crayer laden with goods, which he had taken by course of war. Skarlott sent the crayer eastward and took the goods into his ship. *Signed:* Hew Trevanyon—Thomas Chamond—JohnFlamank.

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267. SIR THOS. DENYS to CROMWELL.

Encloses the sayings of a Breton priest named Gulphinus Abevan whom Mr. Rowe and he have examined. Has sent the priest to Exeter gaol, and warned the officers of the western ports to suffer no suspect person to pass under any disguise, either as monk, friar, beggar, hermit, pilgrim, palmer, or such like. 2 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

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267. Sir Thos. Denys to Cromwell—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Examination of Gulphinus Abevan, priest, a Breton, taken before Sir Thos. Denys, knt., and John Rowe, serjeant-at-law, 29 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII.

Abevan was acquainted with Raynolde Pole at Paris, and was his chaplain there four years. When he went to Italy, accompanied him as far as Avignon and fell sick and stayed there. Pole found him on his return, three months later, gave him money, and bade him come to the University of Louvain, where he went in about a month and stayed with Pole two years. Thence they departed to Depe and took shipping for Rye, where they landed on a Sunday in Sept. last. Did not know that the King had Raynolde in displeasure till he came to England. Raynolde often said that his intent in coming was to attempt secretly amongst his friends to obtain the King's favour, and if he could not he would leave the realm "before Michaelmas now next," at either Dartmouth or Plymouth. Leaving all his servants except the deponent and Ric. Pynye, he went to a little parish three miles from London. Thence he sent Pynye with a letter to a lord in London, who came to his lodging, not very far from the Tower, with six servants whom he left outside. Hearing the said lord speak both French and Latin, asked Pynye who he was, and he said he was the lord Marquis. He had a long beard and a great cut upon his cheek, as with a sword, and another upon his nose. After a little communication the said lord departed to the King at Greenwich. Knowing that the King was displeased with Raynolde, durst not abide with him, and went to service to Geffray Pole for seven months and three weeks, but having nought for his labour, departed. Heard since that Geffray Pole has lost his head. Sued to lord Montague to be his chaplain, but he would not meddle with him, knowing him to have been his brother's chaplain. Being examined where Raynolde was all this while, answered that first he lodged with his brother Geffray, and then with his mother, "where he saw him once kiss her," and that he lodged not in one place above one night. Does not know where he is now, but thinks he is in England, because he said to him at their last departing about eight months past, that if he sped not the intent of his coming, he would depart over seas before Michaelmas next coming. *Signed by Denys and Rowe.*

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2 Sept. **268.** [Black Friars], Haverford West.

R. O. Surrender by the prior and convent of Harford West of their house to the lord Visitor for the King, 2 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Lewys Johns, prior, Moris Johns, *and by* friars Hugh Says, Ric. Wade, Roger Rogers, John Baker, and Dd. Perkyn.

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2 Sept. **269.** Bonner to Cromwell.

Foxe v. 150. Cannot possibly requite Cromwell's great benefits, who lately procured him the office of legation to the Emperor and the French king, and then the bpric. of Hereford. Yet if Cromwell be not more liberal to him than he can ask, does not see how he can meet the charges of this promotion; for from many of his benefices, viz., Leicester, Blaydon, Dereham, and Cheryburton, the first fruits, tenths and charges borne, he has not yet received one penny. Fears, too, that the late bp. stands bound for the first fruits or other charges. Has 40 cr. remaining out of 500 cr. bestowed on horses, &c., remaining debtor nevertheless to Mr. Thirleby and Dr. Heynes for 100 marks. Divers of his servants also have fallen sick, and other servants in England for whom he has written have not yet come. Will pack and follow the French king tomorrow, who yesterday left Shambour (Chambord) and makes haste towards Paris. Blois, 2 Sept.

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2 Sept. **270.** BONNER to [CROMWELL.]

Petyt MSS. Vol. 47, f. 9. Inner Temple.

Is sorry to "mislike anything in such an excellent wit as Mr. Wyat hath, with singular and many good qualities;" but as he is bound to serve the King sincerely and to advertise Cromwell when commanded so to do, will "briefly touch divers things wherein I cannot commend, but mislike the doing of Mr. Wyat," not doubting but Mr. Haynes has already fully declared the same. But if Cromwell perceive that Mr. Wyat's good qualities may be so "purged from faults" as to serve for the King's honour, begs this "may be taken but for the discharging of my duty and the profit of that gentleman, who surely I do love well for his good qualities, and am sorry that, by evil company and counsel of that unthrifty body Mason, he is thus corrupted."

1. In their second audience with the Emperor ("where Mr. Heynes and I declared *de potestate Pontificis et de Concilio*"), Wyat discouraged them greatly, saying, "Ye shall do no good with the Emperor, I know it; and I have told the King myself in my letters that he lanceth the sore before it be ripe." And when the Emperor gave them answer, "Wyot nothing earnestly stake in it, nor desired effectually the Emperor to hear us further, or to commit the matter to other, and they to make relation to his Majesty," but before the Emperor had utterly discouraged them, Wyat said, "Sire, albeit here your Majesty giveth us but small hope touching our requests, yet the King's majesty, having protested eftsones not to be at any Council to be indicted by the bishop of Rome, will repose nevertheless in your Majesty's former promise. And thus leaving the Emperor," he told them by the way: "Ye have spun a fair thread. I knew well enough how ye should speed." He spoke "as though he rejoiced that we had not sped, lest our speeding should have been a dispraise to him who, speaking afore therein, could not prevail."

2. When he sent letters from England to Mr. Mason, he wrote "that he was made a god here with the King and his Council, and bade Mason speak boldly, for he was in commission as well as we." He did not wish the letter to be shown them.

3. At his return from England and arrival at Marseilles the 12th July, after he had dined with them in the galley, he went alone to Grandevile and the Emperor, and did not make them "privy what he would say." This was not plain procedure, "but doing things after this sort, they may tell after what they list." Wyot and Mason desired to have them gone, and represented they were not ambassadors, "but only to tell the Emperor *de potestate Papæ et de Concilio*, and having his answer to depart."

4. On receiving letters by Barneby from the King, just before they left Barcelona, to expostulate with the Emperor for his "unkind handling" of the King in the late truce, he went alone to Grandvele. At his return he told them: "I have procured with Grandevele that tomorrow, St. James's Eve, you shall have audience and liberty to take your leave;" and he pretended he would go with them. The next day he told them the Emperor had sent for them (though they saw no messenger), but did not want to see him then. On St. James's Day Wyat himself went to the Emperor's lodging and thence to Jonkeres (?), a place of nuns, where the feast was kept, "talking with the Emperor all the way, and after such merry sort and fashion that expostulation was turned to oblivion." Were told this by Barnabie. Wyat shoots at a great mark, viz., to please the Emperor and Grandevele. Suspected he was not proceding sincerely from his being loth to tell them what he had said.

5. In his communication with the Emperor he often calls to mind his imprisonment in the Tower, "which seemeth so to stick in his stomach that he cannot forget it. And his manner of speaking therein is after this sort: God's blood, was not that a pretty sending of me ambassador to the Emperor, first to put me into the Tower and then forthwith to send me

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hither? This was a way indeed to get me credit here. By God's precious blood I had rather the King should set me in Newgate than so do."

6. When talking of his expenses, he "seemeth greatly to charge the King," saying he has spent his goods and sold his land in the King's service, "not having of the King's highness to bear it; where in very deed (if he were a good husband) the diets of 4 marks" would keep his house better than it is kept. "But the truth is, himself is given all upon pleasure and spending unthriftly upon nuns there, that all the world knoweth there. And Mason and other of his house spend upon harlots on the other side, so that all will come to nought; his honest servants greatly pitying him and lamenting to other."

7. He is very anxious to bring to pass the Emperor's overtures of marriages; and, because the King "will not roundly accept them, and out of hand join with the Emperor (semblably as he coveteth and travailed in England, putting the Emperor in great expectation and hope thereof), he forbeareth not to make exclamations and after this sort: By God's blood, ye shall see the King our master last (*sic*) out at the cart's arse; and if he so be served by God's body he is well served. And, as far as I remember (Mr. Heynes, Blagge, and Mason being at the table), the words were also with a more bitter addition, it is to wit: By God's body I would he might be so served and then were he well served. He was so hot herein and so often spake at the table hereof (the same day, as I remember, that we came from Barcelona) that (by the charge of my soul) my stomach boiled and I could not keep in, but said: No, sure, quoth I, it were not meet that his Grace should so be served. 'Not so served!' said Mr. Wyat; 'why not so served?' 'Marry, quoth I, because the King our master hath heretofore showed so much kindness both to the Emperor and the French king that they cannot with their honour cast him out at the cart's arse.'" Wyat, perceiving he spoke earnestly (and Bonner thinks he could be content that his labour should not yet take effect), "began to call himself home and to speak of another sort." Mason sate "as quiet as one at a sermon, taking (as I took it) that we two suffered to commune together should have greatly fallen out, which could not have been but to his great comfort." Mr. Heynes also said nothing; and, when Bonner spoke to him of it, he said Wyat was a mad man to use them as he did, and so foolishly speak before them, but he was "loth to enter in contention and brabling," especially at his departure, and wished Bonner had said nothing. "Now, by St. George, quoth I, I could not abide him and I repent me nothing."

8. Wyat picked a quarrel against Heynes and Bonner, saying that, when Nicholas was despatched afore Aguemortes* into England, they wrote secretly by Mr. Thirleby, which was either imagined by himself ("finding himself culpable in that" he and Mason acted alone, and he would not let them know what he did "till the very dispatch of the courier") or forged by Mason. He wrote to Thirleby to know whether Bonner had given him any letters.

9. "In all his facts and doings, he useth Mason as a God Almighty, who is as glorious and as malicious a harlot as any that I know, and withal as great a papist where he dare utter it."

10. When Bonner and Heynes departed, he would not "bring us forth of the town ne yet lend us of his horses," though "he knew well we could have no post horses then in Barcelona, because of the Emperor's train departing;" and he "suffered us to ride on such spitell jades as I have not seen."

"To make an end of this man." "Witty he is and pleasant amongst company, contented to keep and make good cheer; but that he will either

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forget his imprisonment or more regard the affairs of the King than his own glory, yea, or so to consider the affairs that he will earnestly displease the Emperor or Grandvele, the great papist, hitherto have I nothing seen to make me believe it." Hopes he may think wrongly of him. Mr. Heynes can tell Cromwell somewhat of Wyat and Mason; "as also Mr. Brian, of whom surely I can say nothing, but of the mouth of Germayne, who, coming to Villa Franca, told me that Mr. Brian had received a letter from the King our master, not making the Bishop* privy of it. And where he was commanded by the said letters to make an overture to the French king touching money—and that but in case—Mr. Brian (as he reported of him to me) did make that overture [in] simplicity; your Lordship knoweth Mr. Brian well enough." If he finds out anything further, will inform Cromwell, "though it were against mine own brother." As he wishes "to have witness" of all his doings, desires his colleague, whoever he be, may be sent; and, as Cromwell says he shall be one of the Privy Chamber, would like the company of Philip Hobye, formerly his Lordship's servant. Blease, 2 Sept.

Hol., pp. 6. *Headed in Bonner's hand:* The copy of my letters sent from Blese by Barnabie, secundo Septembris. *Endd.:* This packet of letters doth concern th' accusation of Sir John Wallopp, &c.

2 Sept. **271.** English Merchants in Spain.

R. O. "A true copy of a paper book remaining with Mr. Thomas Wilford, President, intituled 'A translation truly and faithfully taken out of a privilege of king Henry of England, confirmed by the Emperor, and a privilege of the duke of Medina Cidonia, with the translation of the sentence given in favour of Hugh Tipton, who was named consul for the English nation." The privilege of king Henry is dated 14 July 11 Hen. VIII. (*see* Vol. III., No. 379, where it is dated 13 July). The Imperial confirmation is dated Valladolid, 2 September 1538.

Pp. 45. *MS. in a seventeenth century hand.*

*** Other modern copies of the Imperial confirmation will be found in MS. Cott., Vesp. C. VII. 596, and Harl. MS. 36 f. 25.

3 Sept. **272.** Chateris Abbey.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 607. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Camb., Hunts, Herts, Norf., Suff., and elsewhere in England and Wales and the Marches thereof. 3 Sept. 1538 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Anne Gayton, abbess, Ellen Smythe, prioress, and nine others. [*See* Eighth Report of Deputy Keeper, App. II. 15.] *Seal slightly injured.*

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *No.* 48], as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

3 Sept. **273.** Black Friars of Haverford West.

R. O. Md. that this 3 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., in the Friars of Harford West, in the presence of the King's Visitor, Mr. Hewe Heris, mayor there, John Sotton, Lewis Thomas, and Henry Bowen, the stuff of the house was sold, as appears by bill. The Visitor paid the debts, 9*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.*, took away a chalice, 18 oz., and delivered the house to the mayor. There remains: In the choir, a table at the high altar, 12*d.*; the new stalls, 26*s.* 8*d.*; in the church, candlesticks and an alabaster table; and in the hall the tables and forms. Md. the payments here due are 6*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*, and so remains with the visitor, 50*s.* 9*d.* Two bells in steeple. *Signatures copied of* Hugh Herys, John Sotton, Harry Bowen, *and* Lewis Thomas.

Copy, p 1. *Headed:* The Black Friars of Harford West.

* Of Winchester.

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3 Sept. **274.** Wm. Rooper to Sir Ric. Ryche.

R. O. Consults him upon a doubt arisen by the dissolution of the monastery of Feversham, of which he is steward. The abbot and convent had among their liberties the right of appointing as mayor one of three persons elected by the mayor, jurates and commonalty the morrow after Michaelmas; and the mayor took an oath given him by the abbot or his steward to do true service to the King and the monastery. Asks what he is to do about it now. Eltham, 3 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Chancellor of the Augmentations. *Endd.*

3 Sept. **275.** Dr. Thomas Legh to Cromwell.

R. O. I have been at the priory of Fordeham, taken the surrender, and left Mr. Parys in charge. There is not a poorer house in England. I have also taken the surrender of the abbey of Chateris, and sent them both by Mr. Polsted, and have put Mr. Walter Crumwell in possession for the King. Here be 14 households which kept their parish church in the abbey, but there is another parish chnrch in the town where, me thinketh, it were best they went. Please let us know your pleasure. The late monastery of Chateriz, 3 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Sept. **276.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. In the marches and in Wales, in the wild parts where I have been, is order and quiet such as is now in England. I am now at my poor house, for urgent business, and on Monday, the morrow after the Nativity,* I return to Wales, to Montgomery; where is no small charge. I would one of the auditors might hear the accounts, one comes every year to Montgomery, and there my husbandry shall appear to the confusion of some who say I take the King's money to my own use. I thank you for your goodness to the bearer, who was ready to serve the King with 40 tall men. He and his kindred be good men, and, at the insurrection in the North, made covenant with me for 100 men. At Beudeserte, 3 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Sealed.*

3 Sept. **277.** Imperial Ambassador in France† to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 205. B. M. Abstract of his letters of the 14th and 22nd August 1538.

Has communicated to Francis what the Emperor wrote 28 July about his conferences with the English ambassador; which Francis and the Constable heard with great satisfaction. First, the Constable (and afterwards the King) replied that Brian had expressed surprise that they had agreed with the Emperor when they held such a good game; for the king of England would have got them the amity of Flanders and removed the fair of Antwerp to Rouen. The King replied, asking why this had not been said during the war; for now he had a sincere amity with the Emperor, and although Brian had said at Aigues Mortes that the truce would not last six weeks he would be no true prophet. To this Brian, surprised, said, "Sire, is my master no longer your friend?" The King answered, "Yes, certainly, but also friend of the Emperor."

* The Nativity of Our Lady, 8 Sept.

† Cornelius Scepperus.

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Afterwards Brian said his master desired an alliance with Francis, and would come to Calais if Francis would send thither the queen of Navarre with seven or eight damsels of royal blood, especially of Lorraine, Vendôme, and Nevers, of whom he would choose one. The King replied that it was not the custom of France to send damsels of such houses to be passed in review like hackneys for sale; but if Henry asked for any one he would have a favourable answer. Brian then proposed that they should have a meeting since his master was coming to Calais. The King said he saw no cause for them to take the trouble. Frightened by that, Brian said, if his master came in post would Francis shut the door in his face? The King replied he was not accustomed to do so to his friends; it Henry came he should have good cheer, but Francis would not negociate with him. Brian afterwards asked if Francis refused to pay his master's pension. The King answered there was no question of that; if he would not pay it Henry could not compel him, but he wished to remain at amity. As Brian seemed afraid something had been concluded against his master, the King reassured him.

The King says this proposed meeting was only to put jealousy between him and the Emperor, and that he answered thus because Brian spoke so proudly. The Constable says that Brian complained to him that the king of England was not expressly comprehended in the treaty; he replied by referring to the fourth chapter of the Emperor's letter about the king of Portugal, and said that it could do him no harm.

The King says that on 12 Aug. he despatched the ambassadors of the new king of Denmark, the Elector of Saxony, and the Landgrave,* who came asking him: First, not to consent to the Council; to which he replied that by his oath he was bound to promote it, and they ought to desire it also. Secondly, they asked for money for the defensive war, which the King also refused.

The King says he has news by a servant called Marillach, who left Constantinople 17 June, that the Turk was well pleased at the peace between Francis and the Emperor, and desired to remain friends with France. He would be glad to make peace with the Emperor, with Francis as mediator, excluding the Venetians, whom he wished to chastise. Marillach also gave news of Barbarossa's failure, in an enterprise against Candia, and of the war between the Turk and the Sophi. The Turk in person was about to go into Hungary with 200,000 men. Proposed meeting with the Queen dowager of Hungary at Compiegne in August.

22 Aug.:—The Constable said that among the ladies Brian asked them to bring to Calais was the daughter of Vendome, who is a nun; and he was sure the king of England, who considers himself Pope in his own kingdom, would have chosen her in preference to all others. The Constable added that neither the English nor any other would alter Francis' affection for the Emperor. Francis will not help the duke of Cleves to the proposed marriage.

Restoration of places on the Flemish frontier. Later news of the Turk, who left Constantinople 10 July, with 200,000 men. Duke of Savoy.

31 Aug.:—The Constable told the bp. of Winchester when he left for England that if his master desired to marry in France he could choose from those of the royal blood, but as for the nun he could nowise have her, meaning one of the daughters of the duke of Guise; as to the daughters of Lorraine and Vendôme they were in the hands of their fathers. With that Winchester left, but will probably delay at Paris to see how the interview of Francis and the queen of Hungary turns out. Marriages proposed by the

* That is to say, of the Princes assembled at the diet of Brunswick in the spring. The names of the ambassadors are given by Seckendorff (Book III., p. 178) as "Escheldus Bild, eques, et Petrus Suavenius, Dani; Jodocus ab Hayn et Basilius Monnerus, Saxones; Ludovicus Baumbachius, Hassus."

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277. Imperial Ambassador in France to Charles V.—*cont.*

French queen for the prince of Spain; Margaret, daughter of France; the duke of Orleans, &c.

The Lutherans have ambassadors in England, and they preach in German; they destroy many churches and abbeys. The said King is sending to King John of Hungary, to notify the amity between your two Majesties, and advise him to make peace with the king of the Romans, if he has not yet done so.

2, 3, Sept.:—The King has delayed meeting the queen of Hungary. Proceedings against those who ruled under the Admiral. The Constable has asked if he had a reply touching Philip Strozzi, and the [proceedings] of the Admiral with the Senor de Rye. The four galleys which accompanied the queen of Scotland had returned, and were going to the Levant. Talk of reinstating the Admiral. The King still determined to meet the Queen at Cambray and Champigna; and has ordered stuffs from Portugal, Germany, Paris, and other places to make presents to her ladies as the Emperor did to his.

Spanish, pp. 13. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar, VI. i., No. 4.]

4 Sept. **278.** Ric. Bishop of Chichester to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. v. 298. B. M. Strype's Eccl. Mem. I. ii. No. 92.

Hears Cromwell is not only not his good lord but speaks openly against his honesty. Knows not how he has offended. Cromwell has many times been his good lord. Begs to be admonished of his fault. As to his preaching, if there has been any sinister report of his little sermon at Chichester on Lady Day the Assumption, he will gladly answer it. Spoke nothing but what Cromwell would have been content with. If he hears of any other man's evil preaching within his diocese, will endeavour to reform him or else correct him to the example of others. Has been negligent in not resorting to his diocese as often as he might, but will use himself to the King's pleasure. If the King wishes to set forth any doctrine he will have no trouble in the writer's diocese. Is not very friendly to novelties unless necessary; but as to worshipping images, &c., trusts Cromwell will hear that in his diocese they know their former faults and leave it. It was part of his sermon at Chichester on Assumption Day, and he will now send one to Rye and those parts to declare it.

Hears he is charged with favouring the bp. of Rome. Knows not "what the Germans meaneth in their late writings;" but Cromwell knows that no man is in more obloquy with his friends beyond sea than the writer. Durst adventure his life with any man in England or Germany that he is no more Papist than he. As to other complaints, appeals to Cromwell, as the King's chief counsellor, to let him know the specialties. Was sure some of Rye and Lewes would complain, and yet he never meddled about Lewes, and at Rye he has used them charitably. Begs Cromwell not to prejudge him. There is none in England (after the King) whose advice he would more gladly follow. Trusts Cromwell will defend him. Prays God for Cromwell's welfare as he would for his own father if he were alive. London, 4 Sept.

Hol., pp. 4. *Commences* "My very good lord."

Cleop. E. v. 294. B. M.

2. "A brief and short instruction given the curates and clergy of the dioc. of Chichester by Richard, bishop of the same."

After a preamble in which he points out the responsibility of their ministry, explains that every good Christian man and woman ought to obey the King's ordinances, (1) because he is God's minister and (2) because he is their King; and that they should pray for the good estate of his Grace and their noble prince Prince Edward.

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4 Sept. **279.** CLATFORD.

R. O. "The inventory of certain stuff, corn, and cattle remaining at Clatfforde," 4 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.

Item, a trussing bedstead and some plain bedroom and kitchen furniture, among which are "a table with crucifix with 11 tapers of wax" and 2 brass potts which John Ellyard* bought. Three kine and 49 wethers. Corn unthreshed: 29 qr. wheat, 70 qr. barley, 8 loads hay, 20 loads wood, 2 qr. oats, and 10 weight, each 21 lbs., of wool.

Small paper, pp. 2.

5 Sept. **280.** CASTILLON to MONTMORENCY.

Add. MS. 33,514, f. 1. B. M. Ribier i. 204. Has as best he could contented this King about the marriages and put off the interviews which he requested. Thinks he would willingly have had the *religieuse;* for upon Castillon saying she was professed he said, "I know, then, that we shall do nothing." He took it all very well, and seems still to be better disposed towards Francis than to the Emperor. He has resumed his old talk (*propos*), and made the lord Privy Seal show me a copy of the Emperor's power sent to the queen of Hungary. To hear him speak—and he says it with the utmost assurance—it is only owing to himself that his daughter is not duchess of Milan, contracted to Don Louis, Infant of Portugal. Asked him to say as much to M. de Lassigny, which he did, and Lassigny can relate it. The substance of the treaties of marriage, viz., his own with the widowed duchess of Milan and that of the Infant with the lady Mary of England, is that the Emperor shall give the widow 100,000 ducats on marriage, with 15,000 ducats a year as dower, assigned upon Milan, and he shall give other 100,000 ducats with lady Mary, to be rebated on the 100,000 given with the widow, and 20,000 ducats a year, assigned in Milan or Flanders at his choice; and that he will aid in the defence of the Duchy if attacked, the Emperor bearing half the expense, the king of England a third, and the king of Portugal the other third (*sic*). Has feasted the Emperor's ambassadors and spoken with them very privately. They confessed the said power, and said the queen of Hungary wrote to them to dissemble in speaking of this affair as much as possible. However, this King told Lassigny and the writer that they had pressed to know his intention, which he himself is dissembling until he knows that of Francis. When all is said, the said ambassadors always entertain him well enough; he seems, however, to make no "grand cas de ce costé-la." Asks for the King's pleasure, which this King awaits "a grande devotion," being now as humble and gracious as could be desired. I think my last remonstrances have frightened him; I dare not speak further, for the assurances which you have of the said Emperor: look, however, Monseigneur, "ou vous en voudres tumber, je prendray peine de le conduire et mener."

† As to the return of Maistre Bryant, he got such a bad reception from his master that he is quite ill in bed, as the King himself told me, who said he was a drunkard, whom he will never trust; "et garde une bonne pensee à Mons. de Wincestre incontinent luy retourne." Has not seen Bryant, but told the lord Privy Seal that he left the King (Francis) very hastily and at a place so inconvenient that Francis could not make him any present, but that you had written it would be sent to him in England. The rest you will learn by Lassigny, especially the good reception given by this King to Madame de Monstreuil and her company.

Thanks for money. Has not yet received his wages of the King and Queen. Dover, 5 Sept. 1538.

French, pp. 2. *Add.:* Mons. de Montmorency, Connestable et Grand Maistre de France.

* Is this John Hellyer, the rector of Warblington, and vicar of East Meon?

† This passage was crossed out by Ribier or by his editor, Mr. Belot, as unimportant when the original MS. was prepared to be put in the printer's hands, and is accordingly not printed.

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5 Sept. **281.** CROMWELL'S INJUNCTIONS to the CLERGY.

R. O. Burnet IV. 341. Wilkins III. 815.

To keep all injunctions heretofore given by him. To provide on this side the feast of All Saints (*altered from* Christmas)* next a bible of the largest volume in English to be set up in the church. To admonish their parishioners to read the same. To recite publicly the *Paternoster* and the Creed. To examine their parishioners upon them every Lent. To preach one sermon at least every quarter. To take down images, and not allow any tapers to be burned before them. To appoint curates in case of non-residence, &c. To keep a register of weddings, christenings, and burials. Not to alter any order enjoined for divine service; and other regulations. *Signed:* Thomas Crumwell.

Headed: "Exhibit' quinto die mensis Septembris, A.D. 1538."

5 Sept. **282.** MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF NORWICH to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Understand that on 29 August the Austin Friars in Norwich was dissolved. Suppose the other three orders will be dissolved likewise. Asks him to procure them a grant of the house of the Black Friars which stands in the middle of the city and in the church of which they have been accustomed to meet in common council. Norwich, 5 Sept. *Signed by* Thomas Pykerell, mayor, Edw. Rede, Robt. Ferrer, Austen Styward, *and* Robt. Rugge.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Sept. **283.** NICOLAS [SHAXTON], BISHOP OF SALISBURY, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Thanks for his letters. Has accomplished the King's request in sealing both instruments. Stayed, before, only because the thing was past him, and he thinks it against reason to do and undo again. The King thinks it ingratitude that he did not attempt to get the advowson from Dr. Townesende. Asks Cromwell whether his conduct deserves to be called so. It is a common proverb in England, "Give a thing and take a thing and be the devil's darling." What office of a friend is that towards such a friend as Dr. Townesend is? Has been in an hell since he received Cromwell's second letters and heard of the sore letters he wrote to the Chapter; nor have the King's letters comforted him. Cromwell's honourable letters have indeed somewhat revived him. Asks him not to be grieved with the letter he wrote on 2 Sept., and if anything is written amiss, to forget it and impute it to his exceeding pensiveness, which would have killed him but for Cromwell's gentle letters. There is no note of the advowson that Dr. Townesend had made in his registers, for he did it as secretly as he could. Remmesbury, 5 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Sept. **284.** JOHN late ABBOT OF CHESTER to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have received your letters complaining that I refused to pay the debts of the monastery before my resignation, although I have a pension of 100*l.* and the finding of a chaplain, three secular servants, and five horses, at the charges of the monastery, granted on that condition, besides profits of two granges and the debts due to the monastery. I have discharged above 400*l.* of the debt since my resignation, and yet cannot get true payment of my pension, but 10*l.* is detained for the tenth to the King and other sums for payment of debts for simony and usury, with which I am not charged. Begs him to write to the present abbot to perform his part. Chester, 5 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* The abbot of Chester to my lord Privy Seal.

* The date was left blank in the copy from which Burnet printed.

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5 Sept. **285.** R. Ferrar, Prior of St. Oswald's, to Cromwell.

R. O. Asks him to intercede with the King for the house of St. Oswald, to which his Highness has preferred him, to be established as a college for the nourishment of youth in virtue and learning to the increase and advancement of the lively Word of God, diligently, sincerely, and truly to be preached to God's people and the King's in these parts, which are right diligent and with glad hearts desirous to hear and learn the same. Wishes to know his pleasure by the bearer his chaplain, by whom he sends a token. St. Oswaldes, 5 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Sept. **286.** John Over and Wm. Claye to Cromwell.

R. O. S.P. VIII. 42. John Hutton, the King's ambassador and our governor, died this morning. Have caused his counter here to be locked and have the keys. After his burial next Saturday, will repair to Brussels and take measures to keep safe his writings there on the King's affairs. Antwerp, 5 Sept. 1538. *Signed for the Company of Merchants Adventurers.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Inventory of all goods and chattels of Mr. John Hutton, lately deceased.

1. In two coffers of black leather barred with white iron that came from Brussels (45 items, gowns, doublets, &c., among them a shooting doublet of black fustian, a comb case, a box for sand, two brushes, a night cap, and a ball of sealing thread, a book written in French, and a book of "Espoir de discipline," a book of *recueil* of letters between the Emperor and French king, a book of the "Image of Ypocrecy," and one of clean paper, a book of the birth of Noble Prince Edward, a pair of white boots with spurs, &c.). 2. In a great yellow chest barred with white iron in the English House of Antwerp (38 similar items of apparel, &c., among them a sword with gilt hilt and pummel and a sword varnished black). 3. In his house in Barowe (furniture in 10 chambers and stables. Amongst the items are—in the hall two "cloths of the triumph, one of Absolon and one of Judithe," the description of Italy, and a ship hanging in the roof; in the Red and Blue Chamber, pictures of the King and Emperor, a painted cloth of the woman of Canany; in the garret, a painted cloth set in wood of the Samaritan, a painted cloth set in wood in each of the two servants' chambers; in the stables four geldings and a "curtall" that came from Calais). 4. In the English House of Baro (18 items).

Total of Mr. Hutton's debts, 1,097*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*

In the same hand as the preceding, pp. 6.

5 Sept. **287.** Nicolas de Monfort to the Queen [of Scotland].

Balcarres MS. IV. 34. Adv. Lib. Edinb. The Sieur Donville (?), one of her subjects as regards the duchy of Longueville, has raised a process against Nicolas de Frye, one of her serjeants of the duchy, for having delivered articles to the late Monseigneur complaining of attacks made by the said Sieur Donville upon the duchy. Longueville, Wednesday,* 5 Sept. 1538.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* La Bailly de Longueville.

* An error, as the 5th September was a Thursday.

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5 Sept. **288.** FONTPERTUYS to the QUEEN, IN SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. IV. 103. Adv. Lib. Edinb.

Found here at Dover the king of England with Madame de Montreul, to whom the said King "a fait grant chose," and has presented both her and Madame de Bron each with a diamond worth 300 cr. [with] a token (*ensaigne*) to be put in the bonnet, and each of the other ladies a pair of paternosters and a token (*ensaigne*). I arrived when the King was with the said ladies, and being told by Castillon, in answer to his inquiry, that I was one of your *maîtres d'hôtel*, he embraced me and asked how you were. I said you made very great cheer, and would certainly have given me a message for him if you had expected he would have done me the honour to speak to me. Supposes Castillon has written to her as he shows great desire to do the King and her service. The king of England lives in great fear of war, and is fortifying the harbour here, and spends most of the day there himself. The writer hopes to be in France today, for he is just about to embark. Dover, 5 "de scen bre (*sic*)."

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A la Royne en Escosse.

6 Sept. **289.** SIR JOHN GAGE and SIR WILLIAM PENIZON to CROMWELL

R. O.

This morning at 6 o'clock I received your letter, dated Dover, 4 Sept. Lady Guldefford died on Wednesday between 11 and 12 at noon; Mr. Penison and I shall proceed with her "funeralles." As yet there is no inventory, but I suppose her money, plate, and jewels will be over 1,200 mks. She has made a will* with great legacies in it. After her burial we shall take an inventory of the whole house, when I trust your Lordship will be near unto these parts. Blackfriars in London, 6 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Sept. **290.** SIR RICHARD RYCHE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Learns by a letter,† enclosed, from Mr. Roper, steward of the late monastery of Faversham, Kent, that, the morrow after Michaelmas, the abbot there for the time used to choose the mayor for the next year out of three persons presented by the town. This liberty is now in the Court of Augmentations. Desires to know whether the King will retain the nomination or remit it to Cromwell, or to the writer, as one of the officers of the said court. Desires remembrance of Mr. Pollerd's suit and his. Leyghes in Essex, 6 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Sept. **291.** THOS. DECONS, Escheator of Bucks and Beds, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has received Cromwell's letters with the minute of an office concerning Woburn lands and tenements in Bucks to be found for the King. Has charged a jury and fixed a day for them. Divers persons who claim to have certain of the said land for term of years, have asked him to have the same found by the office. Asks Cromwell's pleasure about them and also about annuities and fees. Marston, 6 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* See No. 219.

† See No. 274.

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6 Sept. **292.** FRANCIS EARL OF SHREWSBURY to JOHN SCUDAMORE.

Add. MS. 11,042, f. 122. B. M.

Sends copy of a letter he has received from my lord of Southampton in behalf of Ric. Mynours, touching the goods of his late father,* deceased. Desires him to show favour to the said Richard accordingly, provided it be not prejudicial to the Earl's liberties. Sheffield Lodge, 6 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

6 Sept. **293.** ADAM MYTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Two naughty friar houses in Sheurosbury, one of Friars Minors, the other of Austin Friars, are suppressed by the lord Visitor, the bishop of Douevyre, by their own consents, and the custody of them given to the writer. Petitions Cromwell to help him to one of those houses, as they lie in the town he dwells in, and he has served the King 16 years in Parliament, being one of the "insenysciant" of the number of the Common house. Was northward with 100 men in the King's service. At the last Parliament at Westminster Cromwell told him, if he should know of anything in his country in the King's gift, to spare no labour till he came to his Lordship. Would have come in person, only his horse "fell" him and "brossed" his leg so that he cannot travel. Salop, 6 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Thomas Cromwell, lord Privy Seal, of the King's Secret Council and High Ordinary of England. *Endd.*

6 Sept. **294.** BLACK FRIARS, CARDIFF.

R. O.

Surrender of the house of Black Friars of Cardyve by "head" and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 6 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Fryer Thomas Stantun—ffr. Dd. Lln.—ffr. Rychard Nycolsun—ffr. Rychard Thomas—ffr. Jhohannes Lewys—fr. John Thomas—fr. Thomas Davys (*the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th, in the same hand; the last two in one hand-writing, but different from the others and in different ink*).

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R. O.

2. Indenture declaring all the stuff of the Black Friars of Cardiffe received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal and delivered to John Loveday, deputy to the bailey, for the King.

Vestry:—2 tunicles of black velvet, a suit of blue vestments, a red cope with images, with other copes and chasubles, and a laten cross, a censer, &c., a pair of organs and 2 ladders. Kitchen:—3 pewter platters, a pan, a brass pot, a little kettle, &c.

Besides this there is delivered with the indenture 5 pieces of evidence, and to Thomas Robert, victualler, 20*s.* due to him. The Visitor has a chalice of 13 oz., paid his own charges and departed. There is owing for a suit of vestments and a white cope 7*l.*: the cope cannot be fonnd: the "priest, deacon, and subdeacon" is delivered to Father Lewys, who was prior here and is bound for the payment of the 7*l.* Many other things are gone; "for the prior and subprior and other of late be dead within x or xij days, so that all is out of order." Two pots and 3 bushels corn were sold in the town, "and the servant paid 7*s.* 6*d.* due to her," &c.

Signed by John Loveday.

Copy. Pp. 2.

6 Sept. **295.** GREY FRIARS, CARDIFF.

R. O.

Surrender of the house, by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 6 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thomas Gwyn, gardianus, Roland Jonys, Owen Jonis, Robt Casteli, Ric. Mellyn, Hugh Sawyer, John Browne, Wm. Barber, *and* Gawyng Johns.

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* Thomas Mynours. *See* Pt. I. No. 1148.

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295. Grey Friars, Cardiff—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Cardyffe received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal and delivered to John Lovedaye, the bailey's deputy, for the King.

Choir:—An alabaster table, 2 altar cloths on the altar, 2 pair small candlesticks, a laten cross, a pair of organs, a sort of old books, &c. Church:—5 alabaster tables, a sacry bell, and a bell in the steeple. Vestry:—Various copes and tunicles, "including a fair cope payneyd silk the offeras velvet with eagles," an old black cope silk with lambeys, &c. Kitchen, hall, and new chamber:—A box of evidence containing, besides the Grey Friars' evidence, 5 pieces of the Black Friars'. The warden is allowed a brass pot, a broken little bell, and a grate of iron which stood in the choir, to pay the Visitor's charges. The Visitor has a cross with Mary and John, 105 oz.; a proper chalice and a little chalice, gilt, 29 oz.; a broken senser with a ship, another broken chalice with little payse, 51 oz. Two chalices lay in pledge for 4*l.*, which the Visitor paid, weight 37 oz. A pyxte and a little bond of a maser, 12 oz.

Added by Loveday: There is a chalice for 5 mark with Mr. Oliver Sant John, which hath the Mandy on the foot in portyture, and is better than the money. I had no time to send for it.

Signed by John Loveday.

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7 Sept. **296.** Lord Lisle to Lady Lisle.

R. O. The King was never better lord to him, as he will show her at his coming on Tuesday next. My lord Privy Seal promised me "money, clothes, a collar and shirt that I should not go till the King departed out of Calais." Send me two printed books which I brought over to Dover, which Sterkey hath. Recommend me to all the Council, especially Mr. Treasurer, and make much of Master Anthony. Canterbury, Our Lady's Eve.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at Calais.

7 Sept. **297.** Vale Royal Abbey.

R. O. Surrender of the abbey and all its possessions in Darnall, Merton,
Rymer xiv. Coversley, Ernesley, Bradford, Knyghts, Offerton, Weverham, Overe,
615. Twemlowe, Moresbury and Prome, Middlewich, Northwich, Oveston, Dutton, Acton and Berterton, Legh and Weverham Manley, Weverham Alba, Wythyngton, Milton, Allostoke, Swettenham, Capesthorne, Netherpouere, Stanthorne, Frodesham, Chester, London in co. Midd., Kirkham in co. Lanc., Castleton in co. Derb., Llandern Vaure in S. Wales, or elsewhere in England and Wales and the marches thereof. 7 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.

Signed by John, the abbot;* Alex. Sedon, prior; and 13 others. [*See* Eighth Report of Dep. Keeper, App. II. 46.]

Fair seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 55] without mem. of acknowledgment.

7 Sept. **298.** Frederick Myconius to Cromwell.

Cleop. E. v. Has fallen ill, and can no longer attend the religious conferences as
227. he has done for months with the ambassadors of the princes. His strength
B. M. daily diminishes, and he despairs of his life if he do not go back to Germany.
Strype Eccl. Matters have advanced so far that they are agreed as to the principal points,
Mem. I II. and what remains, touching abuses, can be settled in his absence. Begs,
No. 95. therefore, for licence to return. London, 1538, prid. Nativ. Mariæ.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2. *Add.*

* The signature is in quite a different hand from that of his letter of the 9 September (No. 314).

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7 Sept. **299.** Gio. Battista Ferrar to Sir Wm. Penizon.

Galba B. x. 84. B. M.

The Emperor has despatched the prince of Macedonia towards the Levant with Prince Doria, and has written to Don Ferrante Gonzaga, viceroy of Sicily, to assist him. Part of the Spaniards who were in Milan have embarked in Genoa to go against the Turk; the rest have gone towards Hungary. This Queen at the end of the present month departs to a conference with the French king. It is doubtful whether Madame* will go. The ambassador of your King is said to be dying. I am very grieved, both because of the friendship between us and his virtuous qualities. Another time your King has an ambassador with the Queen I hope it will be you. Madame the Duchess, my mistress, loves the King truly. I beg you to offer to the King my services with the Queen here. Will send over a good groom when he can find one. Sends commendations to the lord Privy Seal and to S^r^ Caneuetto (Knyvet), S^r^ Pietro Lasson, S^r^ Philippo, and S^r^ Portanaio.† Brussels, 7 Sept. 1538.

Hol., Italian, pp. 3. *Add.:* Al molto mag^co^ S^r^ Gul^mo^ Panizon scudiere del Invictiss^o^ [R]e d'Inghelterra . . . in Londra alla Corte di sua M^ta^. Cito.

7 Sept. **300.** Charles V. to Paul III.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 215. B.M.

Aguilar and the Nuncio have declared the Pope's safe arrival at Rome. He himself has arrived here and found his Empress and children well. Is making preparation for next year's campaign against the Turk. Valladolid, 7 Sept.

Spanish, pp. 2. *Headed:* 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. No. 9.]

8 Sept. **301.** Lord Chancellor Audeley.

See Grants in September, No. 6.

8 Sept. **302.** Lord Lisle to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

This Lady Day the King has given me 400*l.* stg. a year. Will be with her on Tuesday next. Commend me to the Council, especially Mr. Treasurer, and "show him I am commissary and deputy." Canterbury, 8 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

8 Sept. **303.** John Husee to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

My Lord and all your Ladyship's friends here thank God you have had so prosperous a passage. He never fails the faithful in their need. My Lord is so entertained, especially with the King and my lord Privy Seal, that he is not like to depart till the King has removed from Canterbury. His Lordship has promised now to be earnest in his own cause, for he may never have another opportunity. Mr. Pollerd has been so busy night and day "in prayer with offering unto S. T. shrine and head,‡ with other dead relics, that he could have no idle worldly time to peruse your Ladyship's book for the draft of your Ladyship's letters which must be signed for the stay of your great matter": but I doubt not, when his spiritual devotion is past, he will attend to the book and supplication. I think there is no doubt in the man, and that "this late devotion hath stablished his conscience that he will use nothing but right with indifferency." Goodall is departed and has a letter to Parson Ayngell. My Lord has delivered him 7*s.* 6*d.*, and I gave him your Ladyship's letters for Mr. Rolle and John Davy. My Lord is

* The duchess of Milan. † Giovanni Portinari. *See* Pt. I., Nos. 544, 590.
‡ St. Thomas's shrine and head at Canterbury.

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303. John Husee to Lady Lisle—*cont.*

now minded that the heir shall have Soberton, and says he will make no promise to Fawckner. This agrees not with Mr. Wynsor's letter. I will stay in the matter till I hear from your Ladyship. If Dalle would set his hand and seal to the lease I would arrange that some of my Lord's friends should have it and give as much; yet the house should bear my Lord's name during the lease. On coming to London I will do my best to send your liveries speedily. Jesu send you long life and my Lord a pension of 1,000*l.* a year. Dover, 8 Sept.

Nich. Ayer is at Canterbury.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

8 Sept. **304.** Croxton Abbey.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 617.

Surrender of the monastery and its cell or priory of Horneby, Lanc., archidiac. Richmond, and all their possessions in cos. Leic. and Lanc., and Ntht., Linc., York, and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 8 Sept. 1538. *Signed by* Thos. Grene, abbot; Ric. Fox, prior; Wm. Jarman, sub-prior; and 16 others of Croxton, and John Consyll, prior, and two others of Horneby. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eight Report, App. II. 18.]

Stained. Seal slightly broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 20] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

8 Sept. **305.** Austin Friars, Newport.

R. O.

Surrender by Ric. Batte, vicar of the Austin Friars of Newport, to the hands of the lord Visitor for the King. 8 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Rychard Batte.

P. 1. *Endd.:* John Thomas.

8 Sept. **306.** Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor, to [Cromwell].

R. O. St. P. i. 586.

Thanks for last letters. The earl of Oxford, Mr. Chancellor and himself desire him to thank the King for their licence to visit my lord Prince. Never saw "so goodly a child of his age, so merry, so pleasant, so good and loving countenance, and so earnest an eye as it were a sage judgment towards every person that repaireth to his Grace." He is thinner, but has grown, and can now stand, and would walk if they let him. Glad to hear the King will remove him from Havering against winter; it will be a cold house in winter, though in summer it is a good air. Hears bruits of the dissolution of St. John's, Colchester, and St. Osyes, and reminds Cromwell of his old suit for the continuance of those houses—not as abbeys but colleges. The King may have 1,000*l.* for each and the gift of deans and prebendaries. Moves this because many poor people depend on St. John's for relief, and St. Osyes stands in the end of the shire where there would otherwise be little hospitality. The former lacks water, and the latter stands in the marshes, so that few of reputation would keep house in either. Twenty houses, great and small, are dissolved in Essex already. Sues for no private advantage. Thanks the King for leave to exchange lands with either of the houses. If he can obtain this suit for the translation of the two houses Cromwell shall have 200*l.* Berechurche, 8 Sept.

P.S.—Rides today to Suffolk to meet the duke of Norfolk at Framyngham to kill some of his bucks there. The Duke wished him to come to Kenynghale, but it is too far. Framyngham is but 24 miles. Asks Cromwell to write when the King will return near London.

Hol. Endd.

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8 Sept. R. O. **307. A Disloyal Speech.**

Remembrance of words spoken by Adam Fermour of Waldern, in March 27 Henry VIII., taken 8 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.

1. John Brown, in the house of Ric. Brown his father, heard Fermour say he had been in London and that the King had had a fall and broken one or two ribs, but "rather than such laws as the King would make should go forward" it were better he had broken his neck; he (Fermour) had two bows and two sheaves of arrows and he would shoot all his arrows before such laws went forward. *Signed:* John Brown.

2. Thos. à Wood says Mr. Sakfeld, at the time, commanded him and Ric. Jeffrey to examine Ric. and John Brown, who said Fermour had spoken as above. *Signed with a mark.*

3. Ric. Frankewell met Fermour in the house of John Dyne of Waldern and asked what news. "What news man?" said Fermour. "By God's blood! evil news, for the King will make such laws that if a man die his wife and his children shall go a-begging.* He fell but lately, and brake one of his ribs, and if he make such laws it were pity but he should break his neck." Afterwards one Gates, servant to Mr. Sakfeld, told him Fermour had come from London and reported as above. "Fye on him, fool!" said Frankewell, "he lieth." "By God's body!" said Gates, "he spake worse words than these which are too shameful to be spoken." *Signed:* per me Rychard Frankewll.

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8 Sept. R. O. **308. Dr. Richard Smythe.**

"The interrogatories of Thomas Bewciam clerk" taken 8 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.

The said Thomas accuses Ric. Smythe, D.D., of treason in that (1) when he sat as the commissary's deputy he "said he presented the King's proper person;" (2) he transgresses the statute for abolishing the bp. of Rome's usurped power both in the hall† of which he is principal and in the whole University in sermons and lectures. *Signed:* per me, Thomam Beushym.

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8 Sept. R. O. **309. Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.**

His brother Chr. Wharton is dead. He had of the King, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in fee on the West Marches, 20 mks. annuity for life by grant of the late earl of Northumberland and the baileywick of Allerdale, with 2*d.* a day, beside Cockermouth. In all which Cromwell was his good lord. Begs that his kinsman the bearer be promoted to the said bailiwick and one John Whartton to the annuity on the West Marches. Is the more anxious for this as his friends in these parts are much disdained. Cockermouth, 8 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Sept. Add. MS. 28,590, f. 216. B. M. **310. Charles V. to Aguilar.**

Has received his letters of 16 Aug. Instructions how to proceed as to the offensive enterprise of next year against the Turk in the hope of being aided or at least not hindered by the king of France.

Spanish, pp. 13. *Headed:* From Valladolid, 8 Sept. 1538, by the courier of the Nuncio. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar VI. i., No. 10.]

* Alluding to the Statute of Uses, 27 Hen. VIII. c. 10.

† Alban Hall, Oxford. According to Hardy's Le Neve, III. 591, Ric. Smyth, who was regius professor of divinity, succeeded Robert Huych as principal "about 1536," and was succeeded by Humphrey Burneford, M.A., on the 25 Jan. 1536. The chronology is clearly wrong.

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8 Sept. **311.** CHARLES V. to DON LOPE DE SORIA.

Ib. f. 223. B. M.

Progress of negociations for the enterprise of next year against the Turk.—Commends his conduct as regards the French ambassador and bids him continue watchful as to the French king's proceedings with the Turk since the going of Rincon. Reasons why he cannot give the chief command to the duke of Urbino.

Don Lope's letter of the 10th arrived after the above was written. The person who shall replace him goes shortly. Conference with the Venetian ambassador on the subject of the enterprise, and the duke of Urbino.

Spanish, pp. 18. *Headed:* Minute, made in Valladolid, 8 Sept. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar VI. i., No. 11.]

9 Sept. **312.** GEORGE GYFFARD to CROMWELL.

R. O.

It is said Sir Francis Bryan is very ill and not likely to recover. He has divers high offices in these parts, of the King's gift, which I think would be meet for your Lordship. The King's manor of Woburn adjoins them, which lately came to his Grace's hands by the attainder of the abbot, whereof also the said Mr. Brian had preferment. I doubt not the King would give it you for the asking. I am emboldened to write to your Lordship the state of my account before my Mr. Chancellor, and his officers of the Court of Augmentation, which I have made to the King's profit as Mr. Chancellor will ascertain you if he keep promise. Cleydon, 9 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

9 [Sept.] **313.** DUNMOW PRIORY.

R. O.

"The expenses of Francis Jobson, gentleman, for the delivery of the lead of Dunmow to Charing Cross to the King's plumbers there the space of seven days," viz., Anno 30 Hen. VIII., Monday, 2 Aug.,† for shoeing three geldings at Colchester, 2*s.*, for supper that night at Brantre, 2*s.*, and for horsemeat, 18*d.* Tuesday, 3 Aug.† for breakfast at Dunmowe [priory],‡ 16*d.* Dinner, for bread and ale, 8*d.*, boiled mutton, 6*d.*, roast beef, 6*d.*, a capon, 10*d.*, wine and sugar, 8*d.* Supper, bread and ale, 8*d.*, boiled mutton, 6*d.*, a coney, 4*d.*, wine and sugar, 6*d.*, horsemeat, 18*d.* Similar expenses for Wednesday the 4th, Thursday 5th, Friday, Saturday 8th (7th?) Aug., and for breakfast on Monday the 9th (corrected from Sunday). Total, 47*s.* 11*d.*

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9 Sept. **314.** JOHN, ABBOT OF VALE ROYAL, to CROMWELL.§

Harl. MS. 604, f. 68. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 244.

"* * * * me and my brethren the King's most gracious and dread commission," saying his Grace trusted we would surrender our monastery being of his Grace's foundation, and whereof your Lordship is steward. We never consented to surrender, and never will unless the King commands it, which I do not perceive in Mr. Holcroft's commission that he does. No one has been authorised to tell the King we would surrender, and we trust your Lordship will be a mean to his Grace that we may continue. I am coming up, as fast as my sickness will suffer me, to beg your favour. I enclose the bill indented made by us, which Mr. Holcroft refused to accept. Lychefyld, 9 Sept. *Signed.*

Hol., p. 1. *The beginning lost by mutilation. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal and Chief Secretary.

† August seems to be a mistake for September throughout the document.
‡ This word is erased.
§ This letter was wrongly inserted in Vol. XI. as of the year 1536.

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315. THE ABBOT OF VALE ROYAL.

R. O. "A remembrance to [de]clare . . . . . " Memorandum, I have received 20 kye, a bull and 16 young . . . . . There is but 10 kye, and 16 oxen at Waleriall. I have sent my man down . . . . . .

"Interrogatories to [be ministered to the abbot] if he come up to the [Co]ur[t]."

1. After the abbot and I were concluded for the surrender, whether [the said abbot desired] me to give money to the officers for keeping of the house, and such men as came with bills for money [th]at they had laid out returned them unto me for payment? 2. Whether the abbot desired me to give him the organs i[n t]he [c]hurch, and in like manner a chapel which he used to say mass in? 3. Whether he asked of me all the plate in the house, viz., 3 salts, 12 spoons, &c., and I granted it unto him and one chalice more? 4. Whether the abbot desired me to dispatch all the monks out of the house hastily, for they were but knaves, and to let no one tarry but himself; and asked me where he should say mass when I had plucked down the church, and said if I had tarried a week after Michaelmas I had come well, for now I should leave him without money, unless I were good to him? 5. Whether the abbot desired me to seal a lease to Sir Ric. Brereton with "avante" date and to grant an annuity to Roger Harper; to grant a lease of tithes and to seal a lease to Dr. Lee of the lordship of Frodsam for 80*l.*, which he owes to the said doctor, and I undertook to see Dr. Lee paid? This was in presence of Dr. Stretay, who is commissary for Dr. Lee in the matter. 6. Whether the abbot desired me to put two gentlemen of Cheshire to be sureties for his debts and pension? 7. Whether the abbot have any more to the finding of his house but 16 draught oxen and 10 milch kye, whether all the goods are worth 10*l.*, except the plate, a ring of bells, for which I may have 80*l.*, and 20 fother of lead? There is not a bushel of malt, nor wheat, a handful of salt, a piece of beef, nor a fat beast in the fields. Whether the abbot has felled above 5,000 oaks? 8. The abbot has let most of the "demaintes" (demesnes) and has nothing to take but the rent at Michaelmas, a little tithe corn at Frodsam, which he would have had me to have sealed unto. I do not see that the revenues will pay the debts in two years. *Signed:* Thomas Holcroft.

The vicar of Warram, Thos. Brounefeld, two of the "leffetwyche." Their saying is that my commission is not sufficient.

Large paper, pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

Tanner MS. 343, f. 17. Oxf. 2. "Copy of an inquisition for the trial of John Harwood, Abbot of Vale Royal." (Description from Tanner Catalogue.)

10 Sept. **316.** SIR WILLIAM PENIZON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Would have earlier ascertained Cromwell of the execution of lady Guyldforde's will, had he "rather" known what now "ministereth" to him occasion of writing. Her interment was yesterday, 9th inst., at 3 p.m.; not altogether without such pomp as might give matter of misuse to others, yet she, dying very meek and repentant, partly desired the contrary, as shown by the copy of her testament herewith sent.* Is glad he was matched with Sir John Gaige, a man of good experience and judgment. This day they intend to view, weigh, and "praysse" the plate, &c. London, 10 Sept. *Signed.*

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10 Sept. **317.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I trust you have already received my other letter, by which you will see my Lord's pleasure concerning Soberton. Yesterday, by Palmer, I

* See No. 219.

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317. JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE—*cont.*

received your letter, and perceive that Warley had the books and bills of reckonings of Skut, his brother, and Tong, and also two letters of George Rolle and John Davy, with the cloth of gold Skutt sent. All these Warley left at Dover with Sendy to deliver to you. Tonight I made search for them, and now you shall receive them from Sendy. Warley says he offered these writings to the gentlewomen and they refused them. Palmer delivered the two pieces of Parmesan to Mr. Ric. Cromwell and Mr. Pollard, who thank you for them. Mr. Pollard has promised to rid me within two or three days with the King's letters, but I have no trust therein till the King draws near London. I cannot yet know what he meant by saying "the probation of the bastardy would not serve." I declared your Ladyship's mind to Mr. Surveyor touching Mr. Hales. He will follow your pleasure, or I will accomplish it myself. Mr. Surveyor will write to you in two days. As to the bp. of Canterbury, I declared to my Lord, the behaviour of Stevens and the commissary. He said he knew it well enough, and that he would be even with them. My Lord has lain every night in my lord Privy Seal's lodging, and was never out of his company but when he went to the King. I am sure he has written to your Ladyship how good the King has been to him, and also my lord Privy Seal, who has given him a pension of 400*l.* a year, but I know not where it shall be paid. My lord Privy Seal has given him the Friars' house with all lands, &c., in Calais for life, as he will doubtless declare to you at his coming home. Nicholas Ayer was gone before Palmer came, or I would have written by him. I am sorry you took so earnestly the negligence of Warley in delivering the writings. For however the matter had gone your Ladyship would have been blameless. "I have also made privy inquiry concerning your Ladyship's being here, and there hath been nothing said, but that the King and other hath reported your Ladyship to be of much honour, and said that your son would be bound to pray for you," and that few mothers would have taken the pains you have done. You need write no more about the travers for it shall not be forgotten. "Mr. Pollard hath so much ado with St. Thomas shrine in offering and praying, that he cannot yet intend to follow worldly causes, but I trust when he hath prayed and received the offering and relics, he will be at leisure." Dover, 10 Sept.

Hol. pp. 3. *Add.*

10 Sept. **318.** JOHN MILLE to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. I have received your letter, and shall take order with Mr. Stone for conveying your household from London or Flanders to Hampton, and thence to Micheldever, so that no time be lost. As I showed you when last with you, I have been "hindered" to my lord Privy Seal by some sinister report, and although you moved his Lordship for me and brought me to his speech, and I then found him my good lord, I now perceive his is not so good to me as he has been. Laments this undeserved loss of favour, and begs Wriothesley to help him to his "declaration." Hampton, 10 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Right Worshipful.

10 Sept. **319.** AUSTIN FRIARS, BRISTOL.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by the prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 10 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "per me frem. Nichm. Sandford, priorem—per me frem. Johem. Yngman" *and by* friars Laurence Frankys, John Stere, John Pynder, Thos. Parker, Roger Fylyon, and Robt. Perfey.

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2. Indenture of the stuff of the Austin Friars of Bristow, delivered by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal to Harry White, grocer, and Wm. Popley, for the King.

Vestry:—5 "vestments for priest, deacon, and sub-dea con," 3 little coats for Saint Sithe, a banner for the cross of damask with images painted with gold, a branch of laten before St. Austen, a pair of organs, &c. (18 items). Hall and kitchen (very scanty furniture).

Md. the Visitor has a chalice 11¼ oz. Debts 9*l.* or 10*l.*: to pay which is sold a crucifix and 3 maser bands of silver, 17 oz. for 4 mks. 6*s.* 2*d.*, for the rest certain lead, &c. shall be sold. Evidences and writings left with the inventory.

Signatures (copied) of Harry White and William Popley.

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10 Sept. **320.** Black Friars, Bristol.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by the prior and convent, to the lord Visitor, 10 Sept., 30 Henry VIII. *Signed:* Thomas Paerker, prior—Robertus Wellys—Jacobus Zarman—Wyllm. Garnar—Radulfus Darle.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Black Friars of Brystowe received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to Robt. Wodwarde and John Ameryke for the King.

Choir, sextry, chambers and kitchen:—considerable ordinary furniture detailed.

The Visitor has 2 chalices, a senser, a broken cross, a pax and 2 candlesticks, all weighing 176 oz. A vestment with deacon and sub-deacon, an old single vestment and 2 copes sold for 6*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, with which all debts were paid. Of evidences there are 16 pieces sealed, 2 unsealed, and 10 patents in one casket, and 13 pieces, sealed, in another.

Signed by Robt. Wodwarde and John Amerycke.

Copy, pp. 3.

321. Grey Friars, Bristol.

R. O. Surrender of their house to Henry VIII., Supreme Head of the Church of England, by "the brethren of the order of Saint Francis, called the Graye in Bristow." *Signed by* Thos. Lewys, John Duke, Hen. Carpenter, John Merden, Thos. Lee, and Henry Lawnne.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Friars Minors in Bristowe, delivered by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal to Harry White, grocer, and Wm. Popley, for the King.

Vestry and choir:—Two pair of great brazen candlesticks and 2 pair of small for the altar with a pair of timber candlesticks; copes; a vestment for deacon and sub-deacon of red velvet broidered with half moons, Mr. Bowen has the vestment; for priest, deacon, and sub-deacon "of white rosis, bors, and bestis;" cloths, &c. (in all 17 items). Hall, parlour, buttery, chambers and kitchen; the parlour "seyleid with bowdley borde," and the kitchen containing, amongst other things, 3 brass pots and 4 brass pans.

Md. the Visitor has a cross, "doubting whether it be silver or no," a band with the foot of an horn and a chalice, 51 oz. There are many debts claimed, but none paid as the warden is not here. Evidences in a little coffer with 3 patents. Visitor's charges not paid.

Signatures of White and Popley (copied).

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10 Sept. **322.** Wm. Chester, Mayor of Bristol, to Cromwell.

R. O. The warden and convent of the Grey Friars in Bristol have surrendered their house to the King, which is of the foundation and purchasing of the town, built by ancient burgesses at their cost. Many tenements in the town are fallen into decay for want of timber and stones, and the quay and town walls are in like ruin, which we purpose to repair, and also to make a wharf. We beg therefore for a grant of the said house of friars and ground. Bristol, 10 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Sept. **323.** Sir Thomas Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Pierre de Leke, gentlemen of Picardy, and, as I think, man-of-arms of Boulogne, asked a man and women who were coming to Calais market where the King was, and they said at Dover. "That Lutheran," said he, "demands money of us, but, and if he do not pay the Pope that that he doth owe him, and doth condescend to the rules of the Pope as the French king and the Emperor doth, that within vj months they will all iij be against him," and make mortal war on him, and so it was concluded at their last meeting. Cromwell should write to Mons. de Beez to punish the said Pierre: and if he will not it will show "what is in his stomach." Calez, 10 Sept.

The said Pierre has been here within this twelvemonth, and we made him good cheer: "if he come again he shall be welcome in the devil's name."

If you will appoint me conductor of the Friars here, I shall see that they show no popishness.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.* "Mr. Palmer, porter of Cales, touching certain words spoken by Peter de Lykes of Bulken," &c.

10 Sept. **324.** Robert Lord Maxwell to Sir John Weddrington.

R. O. Sir Reynold Carnabye desires to have a "hasty meeting" at the Kirk of Bellis. Asks when it will be convenient. Carssop Fut, 10 Sept.

P. 1. *Headed:* Copy. *Address copied, in Carnaby's hand:* To ane worshipful Sir John Woddyngton, knight, Warden of the West March of England.

11 Sept. **325.** William Popley to Cromwell.

R. O. Yesterday the earl of Essex' officers were at Bedmyster, and made sale of the wood. Your Visitor has been here, and the friars have all surrendered their houses. He has "that little plate and jewels with him," and has left the other stuff of the Grey and Austin Friars with me and another, and the other two friars with two other men. One side of the Austin Friars lieth open, saving a ditch which men may leap and will tear down glass, iron, and lead. There is no lead but on the cloister. The ornaments are not rich, and they have little other stuff. I hear your Lordship has obtained Paynswike, and I would like to do you service there. Mr Mayor of Bristow and his brethren, have written their suits. Praying your favour in my suit about the Friar Austens. Bristow, 11 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

11 Sept. **326.** Chr. Hales to Cromwell.

R. O. I send the bearer to give attendance on you for the bill of Romney Marsh, for Michaelmas approaches when a session of peace should be held there. Please write a few words to the mayor of Canterbury, Baron Hales, and me, to set at liberty Cacherell, who has lain long in prison for suspicion of words of treason, but is not guilty, as Sir Wm. Hawte, my said cousin Hales, myself and others have examined him. Hakynton, 11 September.

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11 Sept. **327.** JOHN MASTER OF THE GAUNTS, to CROMWELL.

R. O. In accordance with your Lordship's letter of the 2nd Sept., I shall reserve the payments this house has made to the White Friars of Bristol till further knowledge of the King's pleasure. 11 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Sept. **328.** JOHN TAVERNOR to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to your Lordship's command, the Rood was burned on the 7th inst., market day, and a sermon by the Black Friar at the burning of him which has done much good. The Scot I informed your Lordship on, that dwelt at Mountgrace, I sent for; but he was abroad on his practice of physic and surgery. Remember the wardship of John Copley: Mr. Nowell, deputy to Mr. Pallate (Paulet) master of the wards, at his last sitting at Boston, ———* August last, would have let his mother have the wardship of of him for 20 mks. He has no lands but in reversion and is 21 years old; with your Lordship's favour, no doubt my lord Suffolk will let me or his mother have him. Whatever I have to pay I will bring up next term. Boston, 11 September.

Credence for bearer.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Sept. **329.** THOMAS CROFTE to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Saturday last, 7 Sept., the bearer Sir John Lee, canon of Wigmore, showed me that he had been at Herforde, and obtained licence of his ordinary to repair to your Lordship to disclose matter against his abbot as he was bound by the King's injunctions.† The abbot hearing of it, caused John Brydges, who married Lady Beltknappe, to come to Wigmore, and require me to attach the said canon of treason and bring him to the abbot. I replied that the abbot had no such authority. Brydges then desired me to bring the said canon before my father, and he would disclose the treason. We appointed 9 o'clock next morning, being Sunday. I kept the canon that night and brought him before my father, where he abode all Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, and neither Brydges nor any other accused him. My father then dismissed him, and I have sent him up to you at his own request to answer anything brought against him. Wigmore, 11 Sept.

Please remember the park of Wigmore; the audit will be the Friday after Michaelmas.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

11 Sept. **330.** ANONYMOUS‡ to ———.

Spanish Calendar, VI. i. No. 6. Touching the meeting of Francis with the queen of Hungary, which has been delayed. Those who held office under Brion are being prosecuted. The four French galleys that took the Scotch queen to Scotland had returned, and were going to the Levant, &c. 11 Sept. 1538.

12 Sept. **331.** THOMAS EARL OF RUTLAND to CROMWELL.

R. O. Desires Cromwell to be a mean to the King that he may have the abbey of Croxton, now dissolved, which lies near his house of Bever. Fodringhaye, 12 September. *Signed.*

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† *See* Vol. XII., Pt. I., No. 742 (2, 3), which should have been reserved for this year.

‡ See correction in Spanish Calendar at the beginning of p. 530.

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12 Sept. **332.** THOMAS EARL OF RUTLAND to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. Has written to the lord Privy Seal, and begs Wriothesley's help in procuring for him the abbey of Croxton, lately dissolved, which is very near his house of Bever. Fodringhaye, 12 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Maister Wreseley.

12 Sept. **333.** JOHN [SMART], Commendatory of WIGMORE, and others to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Saturday last, 7 Sept., the commendatory of Wigmore, while searching the chamber of Sir John Lee, one of the late brethren, for a stolen vestment, the writer found a letter in the hand of John Cragge, parson of Ludlowe, containing treason. Gives an account of the attempt of John Brudges, the King's servant, and Wm. Cornewaill, servant to lord Ferrers, to arrest Lee at Wigmore Castle, and the opposition offered by Thos. Crofte, deputy constable of the castle, who said "he would break the same Brudges' head and set him by the heels." Next day Brudges and Cornewaill went to Nic. Fyton and Ric. Palmer, justices of the peace, and they concluded to go to Ludlowe and apprehend John Crag, which with the assistance of Thos. Wheler, bailiff of Ludlow, they did, and took an inventory of his goods. Among them there is a bag containing 150*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*, supposed to belong to Thos. Hakluyt, of Eyton, gent., clerk of the King's Council in these marches. Some of the plate and money is supposed to belong to Alice Lane, widow, deceased, whose executor he is. Delivered the goods to certain persons to be safely kept, and on the 12th inst. searched his closet or study, but cannot find any untruth to the King.

Have taken out of a bag of 71*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*, 20*l.* for their expenses, 10*l.* for the arrest engrossing the inventory, and 10*l.* for sending the person up to London. Ludlow, 12 Sept. *Signed:* John commendatour of Wygmour—Nycholas Feton—Richard Palmer—John Bruge—Wyllyam Cornewall—per me, Thomam Whelar, baylly of the towne of Ludlaw.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Sept. **334.** BLACK FRIARS, ILCHESTER.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 12 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* per me Rob'tum Sandwyche—per me, William Cottun"—*and by* Roger Norman, Rich. Archepoll, Rich. Bond, John Wyttmarche, and Adam Garrett (*the last five, though each prefixed by* "per me," *are in the same hand as the signature of Sandwyche, but the last four append their marks*).

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Black Friars of Ilchester received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to Mr. John Cuffe for the King.

The choir:—5 candlesticks of laten, a sacring ball, "a little cross, timber covered with lead," &c. The sextry:—a very few vestments, &c. The chambers:—a table, 2 trestles, 1 chair, &c. Kitchen:—2 broches, a pair of andirons, 2 platters, a dish, and a saucer. Church:—3 alabaster tables, candlesticks, &c.

Sold to pay costs, 2 old feather beds and 2 bolsters for 9*s.* Received for 6 spoons that were lent and sold by the borrower 2 years ago, 16*s.* 8*d.* Charges were 26*s.*, so the Visitor paid 4*s.* more than received. The Visitor has, for the King, a chalice of 7 or 8 oz. There are in the steeple 3 bells, "each more than other" and an old clock. The box of evidences rests with the inventory.

Signed by Cuffe.

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12 Sept. **335.** Don Diego Hurtado de Mendoça to Cromwell.

R. O. I tarried somewhat by the way as I was unwell. On arriving I gave the King's letters to the Queen and told what I was commanded on the King's part, and also your conversation with me in Dobla (Dover) with your sincerity and good inclination towards the Emperor in this business. Found Her Majesty most anxious to come to a good conclusion in this as in any other thing tending to the King's advantage. You will learn her reply from her letter to the King and from the ambassador, to whom, as to one who, after his duty to the Emperor, most desires to serve the King, I write at large, and to whom also Her Majesty refers. Her Majesty's regard to the King's interests is that of a sister with all the respect of a daughter, and, as the King's servant, I beg that these negociations may be as clear and open as I expect from princes of such honour and a minister of such authority and uprightness as yourself. As a servant of both I will advertise you in this way and through the ambassador of all that touches the negociations. The death of the King's ambassador here is felt both because he was so good a servant and so honest and merry (*alegre*); but the loss can be supplied by sending another as prudent and well informed in his place. Meanwhile I will advise those here who come to me with their business as the King's servant although my stay here will be brief enough. Brussels, 12 Sept. 1538.

Spanish, pp. 2. *Add.*

12 Sept. **336.** Myles Coverdale and Richard Grafton to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. I. 288. We are desired of our host (Francis Reynold, a Frenchman) to petition your Lordship for him. He has been an "occupier" into England over 40 years, always providing such books as they most "occupied," so that he has a great number of primers in English, missals, and the like which now (by the Company of the Booksellers of London) he is forbidden to sell, to his utter undoing. We beg licence for him to sell those he already has; so that he print no more in English without having some learned Englishman to be his corrector. If there be any notable fault in his books he will reprint the leaf and so has promised to my lord elect of Herfford who also writes in his cause. For your favour to this honest man we shall not fare the worse in the expedition of "this, your Lordship's work of the Bible, which goeth well forward and within few months will draw to an end." Paris, 12 Sept. *Signed.*

In Coverdale's hand, p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Sept. **337.** Thomas Theabold to the Earl of Wiltshire.

R. O. My brother Palley writes that your Lordship wonders I do not write to you and my lord Privy Seal. Would not have presumed to write to the latter but for this admonition, for reasons which I have certified your Lordship in divers letters and which I have expressed now in my letter to him, enclosed. By your desire I wrote to you since coming hither, three or four letters—the last, three weeks ago, containing news of Mr. Pole. No news but what I have written to my lord Privy Seal. Padwaye, 12 Sept. *Signs as "godson."*

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

12 Sept. **338.** Jehan Fournier to the Queen [of Scotland].

Balcarres MS. IV. 98. Adv. Lib. Edin. The news of this country is that you are much regretted for your absence and for the fortune which has fallen to you. Messieurs de la Sainte Chapelle du Chateau pray God for your prosperity and for the souls of the defunct Messieurs de Longueville. The *ordonnance* you gave to Messire Guillaume Lucas and me is not yet accomplished, because Lucas keeps it and will not deliver it to me. A heretic, captain Pussay, says you have been speaking ill of me, which I do not believe, for you know you trust me as much as you ever did any man in your service. "De Chaud" (Chathaudun ?), 2 Sept.

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13 Sept. **339.** Ric. [Sampson], Bishop of Chichester, to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks him for his late letters. Assures him that his mind is sincere and faithful towards him, but he feared ill tongues, "which in our time are very dangerous." Had heard that some have complained of him to Cromwell and that it was bruited that Cromwell was not his good lord. Is ready to show his innocence.

No man is more sorry for the abuses in his diocese than he is himself. Is glad of the injunctions commanded in the King's name and Cromwell's, as Vice-gerent, for now they will be obeyed, and it is for his ease. Concerning the friars' who are preachers, gave no licence but to one, who is with old Mr. Covarte, on his promise that he should preach nothing but the Gospel sincerely. Trusts that henceforth the diocese will be in better frame. London, 13 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Sept. **340.** The Grey Friars, Reading.

Lamb. MS. 594, f. 129. Coates' Hist. of Reading, 303. Surrender of their house. In the preamble they state that they are moved to do so by the consideration that the way to perfection does not consist in the wearing of a particular habit, and that they are accused of hypocrisy and the people withdraw the support formerly given them. They beg a licence under the King's seal to change their habits. 13 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* per me, Petrum Schefford guardianum ac S.T.B. —per me, Egidium Coventre, S.T.B.—*and by nine others.*

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13 Sept. **341.** Grey Friars, Bridgewater.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 13 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "per me, Joh'em Herys, gard.—per me, Thomam Howell" *and by* John Wake, Richard Harris, priest, Gerard Morley, bachelor, John Cogum, Andrew Gooyt (?), and Robt. Olyver.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the "stuff" of the Grey Friars of Brygewater received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal and delivered to John Newport, mayor there, and Richard Torell, for the King.

Choir :—a table of alabaster with 9 images, 2 goodly candlesticks, a pair of organs, an iron grate about a tomb, &c. Church :—3 cloths before the altars, a chapel with a frame barred with iron. Sextry :—21 copes detailed, of velvet, silk, &c.; also vestments, &c. The "rde" house :—a suit of white damask with flowers of gold, a suit of blue silk with stars of gold, and many other suits and vestments. Chambers, frayter, kitchen, and buttery.

The debts drew about 18*l.* or 19*l.*, to discharge which the Visitor has delivered a suit of vestments and other small things to the warden. The Visitor has in jewels and plate 358 oz., and has sold 2 old feather beds, 2 small pots, and a pan for 17*s.* *Signatures* (*copied*) *of* John Newportt and Richard Tyrrell.

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14 Sept. **342.** Nonsuch.

R. O. Paymaster's accounts of the expenses (in wages, carriage, &c.), incurred in building Nonsuch Palace. [In the case of time labourers, each man's name is followed by a table of the days within the period for which the pay is made, indicating the days on which the man worked].

I. "Costs and expenses done" at Codyngton from [22] April to 20 May 30 Hen. VIII. :—

(1.) Wages of freemasons, 1 warden at 4*s.* a week, and 9 lodgemen at 3*s.* 4*d.*, 5 carpenters, 8 bricklayers, a sawyer and his fellow, 5 "cartys," (*i.e.* carters with their carts), 2 clerks,

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and 51 labourers (2.)Emptions :—22 loads of Rigate stone; 32 loads of poles from10 persons (named) of Darkyng, 6 loads of hurdles from Chipstede, 4½ hundred of "cline borde" from a carpenter of Codyngton ; from Jas. Ketell, ironmonger, of London, nails (items mutilated), a "realm" of large paper, and a "realm" of small, 3*d.* worth of ink, 2 lbs. of "pynners dust," and a dust box, a quarter of red wax, 1 lb. of counters, 2 sand-glasses running an hour a-piece, a rubber for the masons to whet their tools upon, 2 doz. of bast ropes to make scaffolds, and 1 doz. scuttles for limekilns ; John Donsett and Wm. Morer of Kingston for lath, "tile pynis" and spades and shovels ; Wm. Sandes of Ewell for 4 pails, 12*d.* ; Thos. Fenner of Codyngton, 3 hand-barrows, 12*d.* ; John Whytakers of Merten "for uncovering of the body of the church at Merten Abbey" 13*s.* 4*d.* ; a smith of the Wyke for stone axes steeled to hew chalk, &c., and one of Ewell for hatchets, fire forks, "a bow of iron for the mouth of the limekiln pondering xxxvj lbs.," and other iron work. Land carriage of stone from Merton Abbey to Codyngton at 8*d.* a load, payments to 37 persons named of Wimbledon, Cheyham, and other places in Surrey, about 350 loads. "Lee wood," payments to 42 persons of Lee, Horley, Bucklond, Charlewood, Betchworth, &c., at the rate of 2*s.* 2*d.* a load of 50 "p." (*i.e.* feet). Prests to two persons for work in hewing timber and on limekilns (items mutilated). 13 carters for carriage of "talwood" (from Kingswood to Nonnesuche at 18*d.* the 100)* from Kempsalis Wood.

Large paper, pp. 14. *Headed :* May.

II. "Costs and expenses done" at Codynton from [20] May to [17] June 30 Hen. VIII. :—

(1.) Wages of the warden and 23 lodgemen freemasons ; a warden carpenter at 5*s.* a week and one at 4*s.* 6*d.*, and 40 carpenters and prentices at from 8*d.* to 4*d.* a day ; a warden bricklayer at 10*d.* and another at 8*d.*, and 25 bricklayers at 7*d.* with 3 prentices at 6*d.* and one at 5*d.* ; a plasterer at 7*d.* ; 3 servitors at 5*d.* ; 11 sawyers and their fellows at 1*s.* the hundred ; 7 "cartys" at 14*d.* ; 13 chalk diggers at 5*d.* ; 2 clerks at 6*d.* ; 106 labourers at 4*d.* (2) Emptions:—8 loads of Rigate stone, at 3*s.* 6*d.* the load; 113 loads 30 feet of timber, at 5*s.* 4*d.* to 5*s.* 8*d.* the load, from 4 persons named, of Yfild, Charlewood, Rygate, and Maiscam (Merstham). John Paxe of Uxbridge for "setting and burning of viij great killis at viij*d.* the kill." Wm. Dean of Kingston for 16 loads of lime, each containing 40 bushels at 6*s.* the load. Some 3,000 "playne" boards at 23*d.* the hundred, 8 loads of "harte lath" at 9*s.* 4*d.*, 19 thousand of "playne" and 2 hundred of "ridge" tile at 4*s.* 10*d.* A tiler for "dry laying" 49 thousand plain tile at 8*d.* the thousand ; 7 bushels of tile pins at 6*d.* Hewing and squaring 65 loads of timber in Malden 3*l.* 5*s.* Four loads of poles and 8 of hurdles to make scaffolds, 17 pails at 2*d.*, a bushel to "meat" lime 8*d.*, for "rayngyng" lime 4*d.*, 8 "cowlis to carry water" at 12*d.*, hoops for vessels at the mortar heaps, a new well bucket 12*d.* Wm. Clement, master carpenter, and Chr. Dyconson, master bricklayer, "for riding from one place to another of the King's works," 9 days at 12*d.* Jas. Ketell, ironmonger, for nails, "a smale gable to pluck dow[n] trees" weighing 87 lbs., a small hempen rope for the well, 1 lb. of glue, a rubber for the masons, 3 dozen scuttles, 1 lb. of wax and 1 lb. of rosin "for to make simon for the masons." Numerous items of smiths' work, axes, keys, trowels, hoops, &c. Prests of 6*d.* each to 3 persons "for every xx mile vj." Two five-foot grindstones at 5*s.* Carriage of stone from Merton Abbey, 4 miles, at 2*d.* the mile, 8*d.* the load, payments to 47 persons, over 500 loads ; of timber from the Lee Wood at 2*s.* 2*d.* the "load," payments to 23 persons, numbers of loads and "p" detailed. 45 carters for carriage of talwood (from Kingswood to Nonnesuche at 18*d.* the 100)† from Turner's Wood, Hernes Wood, and Kempsall Wood.

Large paper, pp. 21. *Headed :* June.

III. "Costs and expenses done" at Codyngton from [17] June to 13 July 30 Hen. VIII :—

(1.) Wages:—Freemasons, a warden at 4*s.*, 11 setters at 3*s.* 8*d.*, 29 lodgemen at 3*s.* 4*d.* ; carpenters, 2 wardens and 71 other carpenters and prentices ; two warden "rough layers"

* This seems to have been put in later. † Entered later.

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and 76 others with 6 prentices ; 1 plasterer, 3 servitors, 23 sawyers and their fellows, 14 cartys, 14 chalk diggers, 2 clerks, and 1 under purveyor; 173 labourers at 5*d.* a day.

(2.) Emptions:—14 loads of Rigate stone, 37 loads 43 ft. of square timber, for "digging, setting and burning" 23 kills of lime at 8*s.* each, each kill containing 10 loads; carriage of the lime; purchase of planks, laths, tiles, alder poles to make scaffolds, hurdles, pails to put water in " for the masons and rough layers to set their stone with;" hooping the tubs at the mortar heaps, purchase of 12 bushels of tile pins, shovels, ropes, felling and cleaving "talwood" in Kingswood for burning lime and brick. To the masters carpenter and bricklayers for riding from Hampton Court to Codyngton and thence to Marten Abbey and into the woods from place to place for provision of timber, 10 days, 20*s.* Steph. Chrispian, carpenter, for riding to Bristow Wood, Start Wood, Lee Wood, Ewwod, Grovelond, Sowthewood, Ebbesham Common, and Bowcham Common, "to mark and choose out timber for the King's works," 20 days, 13*s.* 4*d.* John Maxborne, costs, riding to Eton Bridge. Lyngfeld, Blechynglee, Darkyng, Rigate and Horley " with the King's commission to rest (*arrest*) and take up workmen," 13 days, 6*s.* 6*d.* Thos. Forard, freemason, costs riding into Gloucestershire, Wiltshire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire, 30 days, and Thos. Frelove, freemason, riding into Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire, for the like purpose, 10 days, 26*s.* 8*d.* Prests to 5 freemasons and 33 rough layers coming from a distance, 6*d.* for every 20 miles (mostly 1*s.* or 18*d.* each, but 8 have 2*s.* each and 4 only 6*d.*) Purchase of "heare (*hair*) by great" and the costs of a plasterer "riding about to take the said hair," 2 days. Carriage of brick to make the lime kilns from Hampton Court to Codyngton; also of 20 wheelbarrows. Underpinning a barn with flint, and purchase of straw to thatch the mason's lodge. Reynold Warde, of Dudley, nailman, for English nails (10*d.* nails at 11*s.* 4*d.* the thousand, &c.) James Ketell, of London, ironmonger, for Flemish nails (10*d.* nails at 5*s.* the thousand, &c.) bast ropes, baskets, scuttles, packthread, and " a piece of silk of 1*d.* broad containing xij yards at 1*d.* the yard for the pay house board." Numerous items of iron work, as tools, stay bars, stone hooks, &c. A carpenter for " raising of a barn for the King's corn," 40*s.* Carriage of stone from Marten Abbey "at 8*d.* the load of 20 cwt." over 1,300 loads brought by 47 persons; of timber from Lee Wood at 2*s.* 2*d.* the load, over 60 loads. Making of saw-pits and felling and sawing of timber in Rowsper and Nudgate. Two more persons for 7 loads (of timber?) 15*s.* 2*d.* 193 workmen "working their hour times and drinking times" *i.e.* freemasons at 1*d.* an hour, carpenters at 8*d.*, 7*d.*, and 6*d.*, for 10 hours, and rough layers at 7*d.* and 6*d.* for 10 hours.

Carriage of "pale post and rail" or "shore" from Charlewood at 2*s.* 2*d.* the load, from Lee at 22*d.*, from Homewod at 20*d.*, from Nudgate at 2*s.* 2*d.*, and from Hartswod at 20*d.*; of "talwood" from Kempsall and Hernis Wood (from Kingswood to Nonnesuche at 18*d.* the 100)*; in all 120 carters named.

Large paper pp. 32. *Enclosed, now, in an old parchment cover marked in a modern hand:* "Taxatio spiritual. episcopatus Lincoln.: ignoratur quo tempore."

IV. "August. Quarta solitio" (*sic*). Costs and expenses done at Codyngton from 15 July to 10 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. :—

(1.) Wages :—Freemasons, a warden (at 5*s.* a week), 13 setters, and 32 lodgemen; 2 warden carpenters and 114 other carpenters and prentices; 2 wardens and 98 other rough layers and prentices; a scaffolder at 6*d.* and hodmaker at 5*d.* a day; 27 sawyers with their fellows, 12 " cartys," 9 chalk diggers, 3 clerks, 1 under purveyor; 207 labourers at 5*d.* a day.

(2.) Emptions:—26 loads of Rigate stone; Sir Ant. Browne, Sir John Gage,† and 8 others for square timber about 200 loads; carriage and burning of 22 kills of lime; purchase of tiles; of 16 mounts of plaster of Paris delivered at St. Catherine's Pool and

* Added later. † Gage is not paid, because "in the account of Ro. Lord."

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Tower Wharf at 5*s*. and batlage of the same to Kingston at 8*d*. a load; of talwood; of tile pins and a "rayngyng lyen"; of nails, bast ropes and a rubber for the masons. Dry-laying and lathing the barn for the King's corn. Many items of smiths' work, among them numerous bars of iron for windows and a marking iron "to mark ladders and wheel-barrows." Seven hempen ropes "to lade timber to the wains" in Lee, Bristow, Rothewyk, and South Woods and Ebsham Common. Hewing and sawing timber in Lee Wood and Nudgate. Making of a new cart "to carry the great pieces for the towers." Riding costs of the masters carpenter and mason riding from Hampton Court to Codyngton and Marten Abbey and thence into the woods to provide timber; also of three others riding to Southwood, Bristow Wood, Estey, Grovelond, Horley, and How[n]slow to mark and choose timber and set out work for sawyers. To persons whose land is used for brick-making and limekilns, *i.e.*, 1½ acres sown with rye, 16*s*., 2 ac. of barley 15*s*., 2 ac. of tares, 10*s*., and 1 ac. of barley 7*s*. 6*d*. Carriage of stone, some 500 loads, from Marten Abbey and of timber, some 70 loads, from Lee as before. Over 250 freemasons, carpenters, and rough layers "working hour times and drinking times" as before, and 16 labourers serving the masons at 5*d*. for 10 hours. Carriage of "pale post shore & rail" from Charlwod at 2*s*. 2*d*. the load, Homewod at 20*d*., Nudgate at 2*s*. 2*d*., Miclam at 12*d*., Harts Wood at 20*d*., Estey at 20*d*., Lee Wood at 22*d*., 47 carters named with the numbers of loads each brought. Carriage "of certain principal pieces for the towers," from Lee at 5*s*. 8*d*. the piece (4 pieces in August and 1 in September), from Manhod, 2 pieces, and from Nudgate, 2 pieces; these pieces are mostly described as 4 score "p" apiece. Carriage of timber from Rotherwyk Wood at 6*d*. the load, about 50 loads, 31 carters. Carriage of "talwood" (from King's Wood at 18*d*. the load)* 22 carters named.

Large paper, pp. 53.

V. "Quinta solitio" (*sic*). Costs and expenses done at Codyngton from 12 Aug. to 14 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., 5 weeks:—

(1.) Wages:—1 warden, 13 setters, and 35 lodgemen freemasons; 2 warden carpenters and 121 other carpenters and prentices; 1 warden and 102 other rough layers and prentices; 30 sawyers and their fellows; 2 scaffolders, 2 thatchers, 18 "cartys," 12 chalk diggers, 3 clerks, 1 under purveyor; 113 labourers at 4*d*. a day.

(2.) Emptions:—26 loads of Rigate stone; square timber from Sir Anth. Browne, Sir John Gage† and 9 others, about 170 loads; planks, laths, poles, and hurdles. Carriage and burning of 36 kills of lime of 10 loads each. Purchase of tiles, scoops, and pails, a load of 100 "syngle quarters." Cleaving and making of "talwood." Reward of 5*s*. "to the masters and wardens of the carpenters in London for their pains going from place to place in the city to 'rest and take up workmen." Purchase of 2 qrs. and 5 bushels of tile pins; 32 loads of straw "to thatch a working house for the carpenters;" English nails from Reynold Ward of Dudley; baskets, baistes (elsewhere "bast ropes") and a hempen rope for the well "pondering" 56 lbs. A tiler for uncovering the great barn and setting the flatts together, 12*s*. A labourer for digging and casting a foundation for the inner gate 23 "p." one way, 21 another, 6 broad and 5 deep, 10*s*. A parcel of hair "bought by great," 20*s*., and carriage of the same from Rygate, 15 wain loads at 17*d*. Clowts and nails, "tredlyng and spokyng," and "a new extre" for "the King's great wheels," 8*s*. Hewing and squaring 80 load of timber in Southwood and 67 load in Rotherwik. The masters carpenter and bricklayer, costs, riding from Hampton Court to Codyngton, and thence to Merton and into Rowsper wood, and from place to place; also costs of three others riding to Horley, Bristow, Lee, and Bowkham woods, Cobham park Bowkham common, Green Dean, Borsam Crosse, Estey, Godston, and Rotherwik, Batlage of 31 ton of Luke stone from London to Ditton at 8*d*. the load, 20*s*. 8*d*. 16 burden of hazel rods for the thatcher at 2*d*. the hundred rods, 2*s*. 8*d*. Three "perrrellis with the bordes of chymneys (?) delivered at Codyngton at viij*s*. the perrell." Setting and

* This has been added later and is wrong, as the payments detailed are at 18*d*. the "hundred."

† Gage is not paid "quia in comput. Ro. Lord."

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burning 600,000 bricks at 2*s.* the 1,000, the King finding wood. Carriage of the King's "great wean" to Bucklond, Beychford, Rowsper wood, Lee wood and Nudgate "to her lading" with the great pieces for the towers; also sending the wheels of the "great wean" to Netilfold to be mended. Hewing, squaring and sawing timber, several items. Several items of smiths' work, as bars of iron for "baye windows of wood," chisels, hasps, staples, mouths for lime kills, &c. Carriage of stone from Merton, 400 loads at 8*d.*; of Caan and Luke stone from Ditton, about 40 loads at 8*d.*; of Thos. Green's and Ric. Sparke's wood from Lee, about 40 loads at 2*s.* 2*d.*; of the King's timber from Lee, about 29 loads; of wainscot from Ditton, 25 loads; of plaster from Kingston, about 20 loads; in all, 148 items. Lading and carrying 78 loads of "pale post shore and rail" from Langhurst wood to Miclam down, 9 miles at 2*d.* a mile.

Freemasons, 48, and carpenters, 115, working "hour times and drinking times" and 18 labourers serving the masons. [Carriage]* from Rowsper [of principal pieces for the towers at Nonnesuche],* 7 pieces of 4 score "p." apiece at 6*s.* 4*d.* Carriage [of pale]* from Miclam at 12*d.* the load, Charlewod at 2*s.* 2*d.*, Homewod at 20*d.*, Nydegate at 2*s.* 2*d.*, Estey at 20*d.*, and Hartswod at 20*d.*; in all, nearly 450 loads brought by 73 persons.

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14 Sept. R. O. Rymer xiv. 617. **343.** TUTBURY PRIORY.

Surrender (by Arthur Meverell *alias* Throwley, prior of Tudbery, &c.) of the priory and all its possessions in cos. Staff., Derb., Warw., Chester, Notts, Essex, and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 14 Sept. 1538. *Signed by* Arthur the prior and eight others. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 46].

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll p.* 1, *no.* 19] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

14 Sept. R. O. **344.** W. EARL OF SOUTHAMPTON to CROMWELL.

I have received letters from Walter Herbart by this bearer, his servant. The Bretons have robbed him twice since Candlemas, and he requires me to see him redressed and to write to the admiral of Bretaigne for justice. I desire your Lordship to let him have the King's letters "either by the print or otherwise" to the admiral of Bretaigne. My sore leg is amended, so I trust shortly to be at Court. By John Chadreton and Lymdon of Portsmouth, the King's servants, I understand certain pirates in a balinger of 40 tons, who have robbed some Fleming or Englishman coming from Iceland, for their vessel is laden with Iceland fish, have been at Newport in the Isle of Wight, and are gone into the West. I have made out letters to my officers there, and trust we shall shortly hear of their taking. From my manor of Cowdrey, 14 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* xii° Sept.

14 Sept. R. O. **345.** W. HARBART to CROMWELL.

I received, 23 August, your letters dated at Arundel Castle, 16 August, directing me, with the chancellor of the diocese of Llandaff, to repair to Penrys and take down the image of Our Lady as secretly as might be. As the Chancellor was not in the country, I commanded Sir Thos. Baken, commissary of the diocese of Llandaff, to do it, admonishing the others appointed by your Lordship to be there also. We went thither on the 26th and declared the King's pleasure and yours touching the idolatry that was done there. The official will bring the image and her apparel to your Lordship. Newport in Wales, 14 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Added later.

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14 Sept. **346.** Dr. John London to Cromwell.

R. O. I have taken a surrender of the friars in Reading, and this day they shall change their coats. "Of friars they be noted here honest men." In the house are three pretty lodgings; the warden keeps one, Mr. Ogle, the King's servant, another, and an old lady called my lady Seynt Jone the third. None is out by convent seal, but they say they promised one to Mr. Ogle. There is a goodly walk in their back side with trees, ponds, and an orchard, in all 20 acres. Household stuff, coarse. What little plate and jewels there is I will send up this week. There is a great trough of lead at their well and another in their kitchen, and the bell turret is covered with lead. Church ornaments, slender. The inside of the church and windows, decked with grey friars, I have defaced and yet made some money out of "these things." On Monday I will pay their debts to victuallers and rid the house of them all. Today I will go to Caversham, a mile from Reading, where is a great pilgrimage, and send the image up to your Lordship's place in London. "My Lord* here doubteth my being here very sore," yet I have not seen him since I came, nor been at his house except yesterday to hear mass: the last time I was here he said, as they all do, he was at the King's command, but loth be they to come to any free surrender. Reading, 14 Septembris.

The bearer, an honest gentleman, has taken pains with me at the friars. I beg you, thank him.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Sept. **347.** H. Earl of Worcester to Cromwell.

R. O. After the receipt of Cromwell's letters for the delivery, to Sir Thos. Spert, of the *Valentyne*, which was brought into a creek beside Cardiff by Richard Hoore, seeing that she might at any time be conveyed away, brought her to Chepstow, in accordance with the King's former letters, for her safe keeping, and for the speedy payment of Spert, sold the lading, the salt at 8*d.* the bushel, and the wine, Romney, at 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* the tun. Does not think it will pay Spert the whole sum of 280*l.* According to Cromwell's last letter, for the sending up of Hore and delivery of the Portingales, has delivered all the Portingales, except a woman in child-bed, to Baltazar Gonsalves. Hore refuses to deliver the jewels and money of the Portingales. Detains him to see the unloading of the ship, for neither he nor the mariners can declare how much wine and salt there is. Marvels how they came by it.

When it is unloaded, will send him up with a certificate of his affairs since coming into these parts, which have been "very suspicious touching the death of Agnes de Fernandos." Sends a paper concerning the variance between the Portingales and Hore and Ric. Abbes. Chepstow, 14 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Sept. **348.** Wm. Wolffe to his brother Edward Wollffe.

R. O. Recommend me to my mother and brethren, and desire my mother of her daily blessing. "Brother, I pra yow ytt agen to anser me to my leters or elles I wyll notte wrette yow no more: for I wrette yow all was bott yow wyll notte wrette me a gene." Write me how my mother and brethren are, especially my mother; also about my uncle Pursevold and other friends. I sent you from Barselona, 27 July 1538 by Dr. Bonnard's servant Richard, an angel noble for a token in satisfaction of the rings you sent me. Send me two or three pairs of hose cloths, one black the other white; I will pay for them. As to silk for my Lady, your mistress, send me a sample and the colours, for I am in the country where it is. You shall receive by

* The abbot of Reading.

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348. Wm. Wolffe to his brother Edward Wollffe—*cont.*

Nicholas, the King's courier, a case of gilt shears and knives for my Lady, your mistress, and a "shord gyrdyll" fit for any lord in England, and six pairs of Spanish gloves. Give my mother a pair. Recommend me to my Lady. I am at her service and my Lord your master's. I have asked Mr. Masone, bearer of this, to speak to Richard, Dr. Bonard's servant, about the angel. *Dated at the head:* Valeddlethe, 14 Sept. 1538.

Hol. pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

14 Sept. **349.** Diego Hurtado de Mendoça to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 232. B. M.

Could not leave England so soon as he desired, as the King delayed his despatch. On his arrival at Dover found the King there, and sent to Cromwell to let him know, in case he had any commands. Cromwell replied he would come and speak with me. He came and said that the King was much displeased with the queen of Hungary for not letting him know that she had been long in possession of the "power," which he said seemed to have been given her merely as a compliment, and not with the view of concluding anything; also he was no less aggrieved with us because, in reply to the Princess, we laid the blame of the delay upon the King and his ministers. I replied that as to the compliments and offers your Majesty had made, they should see in the future if they were feigned; I believed the Queen had not informed him of the power, because she knew his ambassador in Spain, and we in England, had informed him all about it, and had expected that as the King was so anxious for an early conclusion, he would, to gain time, send a person with sufficient instructions to treat and conclude in Flanders. As to our answer to the Princess, as the King had charged the Emperor with the delay, we had thought it right to undeceive him, and lay the blame where it was justly due. He answered he did not deny that much of the coldness had been due to the King and his councillors; but now matters were different and the King was better disposed than ever, and that the King, his master, expected me to advise the Emperor, that so great a prince as he was worth winning and keeping, notwithstanding that he was joined in such close amity with France. Replied that I trusted in God and in the virtue of your Majesty and the Most Christian King that amity would be perpetual; the amity between your Majesty and the King his master should be preserved as far as lay in your Majesty's power, and the King's will, with whom it lay to forward and augment it.

He showed himself very jealous on his master's behalf of the going of the Queen to France: the more so because she had stayed at Breda, where it was said she and the Marquis* had settled a marriage between the duchess of Milan and the prince of Orange. Then he referred to the way in which we had banquetted and visited the French ambassador; as if he would make a book of complaints. As they seemed to be in no little fear, and there was no reason to think it feigned, considering their position (*condiciones*) and the state of affairs, I answered as gently and courteously as possible; for my instructions were neither to reassure them nor to affirm nor deny anything. I think they are afraid, for they have made greater haste to provide more men and munitions at Calais and the other frontiers, and to repair Dobla (Dover), and Chambra (the Camber), and other ports which the King was visiting when I left.

Cromwell took leave with humble recommendations to your Majesty, and when I suggested again that they should send a person to treat in Flanders, he seemed not to refuse so bluntly as before, and when I asked if I ought to see the King before embarking, said, as I pleased. Sent a man to the King to ask an interview, who brought answer that the King was busy and could not see me unless it were for very particular business. He was at the time

* The marquis of Zenete (count of Nassau), whose death is mentioned at the end of this despatch.

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with some French ladies who came with the queen of Scotland, deceased, and were returning to France. He banqueted them and made them great cheer, and to two of the chief, Mesdames de Montrul and de Brun, mother and daughter, he gave diamond bracelets worth 250 ducats. To the rest he gave wretched little rings (*sortijuelas*), and medals, 30 crs. apiece, and they were very dissatisfied. The same night the French ambassador invited me to sup with him and the said ladies, and accompanied me to the ship, from which I returned for some hours as the weather was bad. He said the King and the rest knew not whether they were in heaven or earth, and now was the time for both Princes, your Majesty, and the King his master, to settle your affairs, and that the King had told him I had asked for an interview, but that he being then with the ladies and enjoying himself and with the said ambassador, had declined to grant it.

At Calais I found many new people, who said they had come to reside there for a time. I knew them in England where they are considered soldiers and *abiles*. They made me great cheer. I learnt that in the bridge of passage towards Dunquerque and in the others, the guards have been doubled for the last 20 nights. This is just such an evidence as these people often give of easily roused suspicion.*

Came to Brussels and kissed the hands of the Queen, and presented the King's letter and credence. The despatch for England was immediately ordered, as her Highness' letters will show; and because the information is of many days and particulars which have occurred at different times, it has not been possible to finish it so shortly. The English ambassador in this Court is dead. He was a man rather jovial and witty than of sufficiency to treat serious negociations. If they have the willingness to treat which they pretend, since they must send a person to reside in the said Court, they might send one of sense and prudence with power and instructions, as they object to send a special embassy on the said business. Went from Brussels to see the marchioness of Zenete and visit the Marquis in Breda, and at the very gates learnt that the Marquis was dead—a great loss. The Marchioness and the Prince† despatch this courier.

Left the Princess in good health, though she has since been somewhat poorly. Thinks she is dissatisfied because now they keep her more strictly and poorly than usual. Will give her commendations to the Emperor by mouth when he comes. Breda, 14 Sept.

On the back is written :—He writes that he and the ambassador wrote in their common letter other particulars; which it will be well for your Majesty to see.

Spanish pp. 8. *Headed:* Copy of an autograph letter of Don Diego Hurtado de Mendoza to the Emperor, made in Breda, 14 Sept. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar* VI. i. No. 12.]

15 Sept. **350.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I received your two letters by Nic. Eyre. I remember the words Mr. Pollard spoke at Dover, and have moved him again about them, but he would make no direct answer. I have no doubt, however, I will get his meaning therein. I trust he means no deceit about your book. He has drawn the two letters for the justices and the lord Chancellor. I hope to have them shortly despatched. If my lord Daubeney mean any displeasure, I hope it will profit him little. I cannot yet speak with Mr. Bonham about Soberton. I will ride to my lady of Sussex as soon as I can, and, "if any such matter be," will not fail to declare to Mrs. Anne your pleasure. Your stuff at Soberton shall be ready when you please to send for it. Mr. Basset and I will ride to Mr. Russell within two days, but he is not to go to my

* "Tengolo por una de las livianas sospechas que suelen dar à entender que tienen."
† The prince of Orange.

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lord Privy Seal before Michaelmas, for so Mr. Pollard advises me. At my return from Mr. Russell's you shall know how he likes your conserves. Mr. Wriothesley and Mr. Williams are at the Court. At their coming I will deliver your Parmesan and letter. Warley only acted from lack of wit, not malice.

I send your parcels of sarcenet by the bearer. The silkwoman has left the two patterns of silk that you sent. The rest of your liveries will be ready on Wednesday. I have written to my Lord of all his affairs. London, 15 Sept.

My lord Privy Seal is expecting Mr. Antony. I promised he should be here in seven days. "I perceive he would gladly have him home."

Hol., pp. 2. *Sealed. Add.*

15 Sept. **351.** EDWARD MOUNTAGU to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Thos. Lamkyn, of Werington, Northants., "husbond," yesterday caused, in the market at Peterborough, proclamation to made that if any man had lost a purse, with money and writings, let them come to him and they should have it again. After that Lamkyn caused one Sir Giles Taylor, clk., to read a bill, found in the purse, which I enclose, and the purse and contents you shall receive by this bearer. Then Lamkyn went to the monastery of Peterborough and showed the abbot he had found a letter which spake of him, and would show it him on condition that he kept it secret. The abbot called his servants and took the purse and letter by force, arrested Lamkyn and the priest, and advertised me this afternoon of the whole matter. There is much ill contained in the letter. Two other persons are suspected to be privy to this matter. I shall have them put in sure keeping. Brigstocke, Sunday, 15 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. by Wriothesley:* "Th'abbot of Peterborough and Mr. Mountague concerning a seditious letter found in a purse by one Lamkyn and a priest touching the coming of the king of Scots and them to take his part."

15 Sept. **352.** SIR RIC. LYSTER to CROMWELL.

R. O.

The monastery of Romsey, hearing they are in danger of suppression, are making leases and alienating their goods. Desires to know whether he should stay them in this. This week past died Sir James Worsley, captain of the Isle of Wight. I beg your favour for the bearer if you think him fit for the King's service. Stanbridge, 15 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Chief Baron of the Exchequer, 21 Sept.

15 Sept. **353.** RIC. POLLARD to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. IV. 224.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 220.

On coming to Reading, despatched Mr. Wriothesley's servant with everything as commanded by Cromwell; which amounteth to 31*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.** as appears by particulars here inclosed, and part of the stuff reserved for the King's use, with the whole house and church undefaced. Have left it by indenture in the custody of Mr. Penyson. Have reserved also for the King the plate, vestments, &c., and left them with Mr. Vachell by indenture. Intend to leave Reading on Tuesday for London. Reading, 15 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Begins:* Pleasyth your Lordshyp.

* *Not* 131*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*, as in Wright.

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15 Sept. **354.** FRIARS OF EXETER.

R. O. Surrender of the house of Grey Friars, by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 15 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "per me fr'em Gregorium Bassett sac. the. bachelarii——per me, frem. Thomam Gardner,"—*and by* friars Thos. Tucke and John More, *and by* John Velle, Wm. Hethffyldd Thos. Sckynner, Robt. Summer, Ric. Pyrry, and friar John Skyrlyng.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Exeter, delivered by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal to Thos. Huntt, mayor there, and Wm. Buckenam, receiver, for the King.

Choir:—An old table imagery little worth; a little lamp, laten, 6*d.*; pair of organs, 20*s.*; 2 old timber lecternes, 2*l.*; fair stalls, 40*s.*; a sacry bell and fair seats, 6*s.* 8*d.* Two old altars in the church. Sextry:—3 old copes of white damask, embroidered, 33*s.* 8*d.*; a suit of crimson velvet, 33*s.* 4*d.*; and other old vestments, &c. (20 items all valued); a coffer bound with iron, 13*s.* 4*d.*, which is claimed as another man's, but no friar knows who, for it was there before any can remember. In the steeple 3 bells.

Debts were 14*l.* 9*d.*; to pay which, stuff was sold from the vestry, 25*s.* 2*d.*; kitchen, 26*s.*; and church, 4*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*; so the Visitor paid 8*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.* more than he received. As the warden was in debt the Visitor gave him a velvet cope. Evidences remain with the keepers, and the Visitor has 241 oz. silver. *Signed by Huntt and Boknam.*

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R. O. 3. Surrender of the house of Black Friars, by the prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 15 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "Fr. John Water (?)—Petrus Barrett,"—*and by* friars John Wenard, Robt. Sprang, John Corteys, Nich. Hamlyn, Laurence Golfe, Nich. Keme, Hugh Ellys, Edw. Helmer, John Forde, John Kylbery, Robt. Tyoke, Hatherscolle, and John Adam.

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R. O. 4. Indenture of the stuff of the Black Friars of Exeter delivered, by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, to Thomas Hunt, mayor, and Wm. Buckenam, receiver, for the King.

Choir:—On the high altar a fair table, alabaster, "with other images," 20*s.*; two iron candlesticks on the walls for 5 tapers, 8*d.*; 1 candlestick, iron, 2*d.*; fair stalls and a candlebeme, 20*s.* Vestry:—Vestments (14 items valued from 10*s.* to 3*l.*), copes, &c. (21 items all valued). Chambers:—A feather bed with bolster, &c., a pair of small andirons for the chimney, &c. Frayter:—7 tables, a cupboard, and a form. Cloister:—Lavers of lead with 3 spouts. Library:—Divers books of little value. Two bells in the steeple.

Debts claimed, 23*l.* 6*s.* 9*d.*, allowed 17*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.*; to pay which stuff was sold from the vestry and choir, 23*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.*, and from kitchen, buttery, and chambers, 26*s.* 10*d.* The Visitor paid 18*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.* debts and charges, and took away 5*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.* and 346 oz. of plate which lay in pledge. Evidences, 17 pieces sealed, 4 pieces in a little box and 2 patents. The marquis of Exeter and his ancestors have had lodgings there, and his keeper claims certain furniture (detailed). *Signed by Huntt and Boknam.*

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15 Sept. **355.** SIR REYNOLD CARNABY to the COUNCIL OF THE NORTH.

R. O. Since his last, was at the meeting of the wardens of the West Marches at Crissop Foot. No doubt the deputy warden has written of their proceedings. As to the lord Maxwell's meeting at the Bells, you will be informed by the copy of his letter* to the King's officer of these Middle Marches. Has often, since coming home, sent for the inhabitants of Tyndale to lay in new pledges in lieu of those

* *See* No. 324.

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355. Sir Reynold Carnaby to the Council of the North—*cont.*

who, having been left at Newcastle, went home without licence, but they have refused. Accordingly, on Thursday last, the 12th inst., when they were ordered to come to Carnaby at Chowlerford, as they came without assurance he took all who were there present, except one (who escaped by the connivance of one Roger Heron), and sent them to Warkworth Castle till he hear the Council's pleasure. Encloses a bill of their names. On this all the inhabitants of Tyndale assembled, both horse and foot, among them the three outlaws, Edward, John, and Rynny Charlton, and certain Scots of Liddesdale, who on Friday afternoon sent Carnaby two Tyndale men, one of the Robsons and one of the Charltons, to know why he had attached the men. Replied, Because they had refused to lay pledges. They requested in behalf of their countrymen that he would allow 10 or 12 of them to come under assurance and arrange for "lowsing" of the pledges. Refused, as they had so highly offended the King in thus assembling with proclaimed traitors, to speak with any unless all dispersed to their own houses, which they did. That day at midnight, had appointed to destroy the houses of the outlaws, and assembled most of the gentlemen of Northumberland, with such number of horsemen as you will see by the enclosed bill, and, by means of the deputy warden of the West March, Thomas Dacre was to have lain in the West to take those who fled that way, and on the South, the writer's father and his brother Thomas, constable of the King's Castle of Langley "with them of the water of Tyne," were to have assisted. But they were of opinion that the corn of the outlaws could not be destroyed except by burning, which he was ordered not to do without further authority, and they thought, as the inhabitants were all leagued together, that I should not ride upon them without having power to burn their houses and corn. Writes accordingly for instructions. From my grandfather's house at Hallton, Sunday, 15 Sept.

Added in his own hand: Since writing, the Tyndale men have sent to him, and he has appointed to see them on Monday, the 16th. Has therefore caused the bearers to tarry to inform the Council of what is done. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add:* To, &c., the bishop of Llandaff, the lord vice-president, and other of the King's most honourable Council in the North parts. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. "The names of them appointed to meet at the hour of midnight for the rode in Tyndale to have been on Friday, the 13th September; and the number that every gentleman should bring."

The King's deputy warden* with as many as he thought meet. Lord Ogle,* Sir Cuthbert Radclif, of the lordship of Alnwick (his deputy),† Sir Rog. Gray,* Sir John Dalawale,* Sir Wm. Ogle,‡ Robt. Collyngwood,† John Horsley, sheriff (himself absent)†, Ralph Ylderton, Thomas Forster, Thos. Gray,‡ Percival Selby,* Edward Gallon,‡ Thomas Hebborn, Thomas Howborn, Edw. Muschans, John Selby, Parson Ogle,‡ Ric. Folbery, Wm. Strother of Newton, John Car of Wark,‡ Rog. Gray of Woller, Henry Collyngwood,‡ Thos. Car of Newland, Nich. Horsley of Ulchester, Henry Revleley of Chatton,‡ John Bednell, John Roddon, Robt. Collyngwod of Bewyke,‡ the bailiff of Newham, John Ogle of Ogle,‡ John Ogle of Twisyll,* Sir Robt. Ellerker,* Lionel Gray.*

ii. Names of persons of Tyndale taken for pledges, 12 Sept.:—Gib Charlton o'th' Bought hill, Rowly Charlton, his brother (escaped), Edde Dod of Cragg, Gery Charlton of Wark, Edward Charlton that married Thom o'th' Carite-this (?) daughter, John Stocoll o'th' Newk, John Robson o'th' Fawe Stane, Simon Charlton.

In Sir Reynold Carnaby's hand, p. 1.

Those marked (*) *bring* 20 *men,* (†) 40, (‡) 10, *and the rest* 5.

* Sir John Widdrington, deputy warden of the Middle March.

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Calig. B. III. 233. B. M. R. O.

3. Copy of § 1.
Pp. 4. *Endd. by Wriothesley in two places.*

4. Blank leaf, endorsed in a 17th century hand: "Scottish borders."

15 Sept. **356.** DENYS NAYMAN to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

Requests him to give his son 20 gold crowns owing to the writer for half a load of *locater* (?) which he sent him on trust, or else give him a licence to have 100,000 *outs* (pieces of wood?). Hopes to arrange it the next . . . (?) that comes to Dunkirk. 15 Sept. 1538.

Dutch, p. 1. *Add.:* "me loord Debytys te Cales.

357. MELANCHTHON to JOHANNES BRENTIUS.

Corpus Reform. III. 586.

* * * From England our ambassadors have not yet returned. They have disputed with the bishops; and there is hope that the English Church may be amended and pious doctrine and rites restored. *Bene vale.* 1538.

Lat. Add.: teacher of the Gospel *in ecclesia Halensi.*

16 Sept. **358.** SIR JOHN ALEYN, Alderman, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Received today his letters dated 24 Aug. desiring him to desist from prosecuting the extent of Thos. Barnebie's statute. Has never troubled him since the receipt of Cromwell's first letters, both by reason of his absence in the King's business and on account of the said letters. Has never taken any of the goods conveyed out of his house and has stayed prosecuting the law, though he well merited it. Supposes his last letters to Cromwell were either intercepted or embezzled. Asks when he can wait upon Cromwell for his purgation. 16 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Sept. **359.** JOHN, ABBOT OF PETERBOROUGH, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Of late, certain persons have conceived mischievous letters which he sends, to slander the abbot and others. They were found, with certain money, in a purse by one Thomas Lamkyn, of Wirrington, as he saith. Lamkyn wished to deliver the letters secretly to the abbot, but the latter called his servants and took them from him and read them openly, as well as could be with much "wrestinge" and guessing. Perceiving "the ungracious conceit of it," made by malice to undo me, I advertised Serjeant Montague, who willed one of my servants to certify you of the matter and to secure Lamkyn and others suspected. Peterburgh, 16 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

16 Sept. **360.** WILLIAM CHOLMELEY to RIC. CROMWELL.

R. O.

Lord Conyas has laboured this fortnight of a fever quartane, and as there is no liklihood of his recovery, as the bearer, his servant, can further show you, he desires, with my Lord my master's pleasure, to come up to London and consult physicians. Please advertise my Lord of this and signify his pleasure by the bearer. Sheffelde, Monday 16 Sept.

Hol. p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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16 Sept. **361.** JOHN WESTE, Curate of Kingsbury, and WM. BALFFORD, Curate of Hyndon, to CROMWELL.

R. O. On the 16 Sept. 30 Henry VIII., the writers were assembled making merry, in the parish of Whyzt Churche, with Sir Ric. Davy, curate of Whyzt churche, sometime a monk of the Charterhouse of Mount Grace in Yorkshire, Richard Hernesse of Hedgeware, John Hussey, clarke of Kyngysbury." Amongst whom the said Sir Ric. Davy said he would not hold with "this new doctrine," nor with the suppressing of images. Were greatly offended and think that Davy should be "called to reformation." *Signed.*

In Weste's hand, p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

16 Sept. **362.** T. HALL to CROMWELL.

R. O. You promised that in case the priory of Haverholme* in Lincolnshire, a house of Gilbertines near Sleford, should come to the King's hands, you would help me to get the farm of the demesnes at a reasonable rent. They are valued at 9*l.* or 10*l.* a year. I hear the Commissioners are coming to dissolve the house of Sempringham and other of that religion and know not if Haverholme will be comprised. If not, please have it inserted in the commission. Sleford, 16 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Sept. **363.** SIR ARTHUR DARCY to CROMWELL.

R. O. In favour of the porter of Berwick, to be captain in place of Sir Thos. Clyfford, who, he hears, will [resign] in consequence of ill-health. The porter has served the King well these 16 years as deputy to the warden and in all exploits against the Scots. He will give Cromwell 500 mks. As you "have saved his life lately by doing justice to him," so you should encourage him the longer to serve the King in his old age. From the Weylld, 16 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

16 Sept. **364.** ROUCESTER or ROCETTUR ABBEY

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 618. Surrender (by Wm. Grafton, abbot of Roscetor, &c.) of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Staff., Derb., Ntht., and elsewhere in England, Wales and the marches thereof, 16 Sept. 1538. *Signed by* William, the abbot, and 8 others. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 39.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 25.] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

17 Sept. **365.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. With hearty thanks for your pains in soliciting of my matters. My servant Fulmerston arrived here yesternight, by whom I perceive how gracious the King is to me concerning the Grey Friars of Norwich, and that your mind is, an the friars would give me the house, I should take it. The warden of the friars had already come hither, offering to give up the house to me. I intend within two or three days to ride to Norwich and take the surrender to the King's use, for I would not give example to other founders to take surrenders to their own use. As soon as I have done this I shall repair towards the King; intending to be at Greenwich that night or the morrow after his Majesty shall come thither. Kenyngale, 17 Sept. 6 a.m. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed and Endd.*

* Surrendered 24 Sept. 1538. *See* No. 411.

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17 Sept. **366.** JOHN FREMAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have been with Dr. Legh and Mr. Paris in Leicestershire where I have despatched the abbey of Croxston, and send the book thereof. I have returned to Lincolnshire, where I have received letters from you which I will fulfil to the best of my power, except that in which you desire me to put Mr. Skypwith in possession of the parsonage of Borrowe in the Marsh. In this too, I will obey if desired, though I asked it for myself; but it is worth 40*l.* more than it goeth for, and he ought to pay enough. He desires to have all things and has deserved nothing. I thank you for bidding me take the priory of Ormesbie to farm, but the King and you granted it to Mr. Atclyf, and in truth it is very necessrary for him. I think he will exchange land near Lewes, which will be meeter for the King. Semperyngham, 17 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Sept. **367.** Dr. JOHN LONDON to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. iv. 225. B.M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 221. Ellis, 1,Ser. ii. 79. Has pulled down the image of Our Lady at Caversham, whereunto was great pilgrimage. It is plated over with silver. Has put it in a chest fast locked and nailed up, and will send it by next barge to London. Has pnlled down the place she stood in with the lights, shrowds, crutches, images of wax &c. about the chapel, and defaced the same thoroughly. This chapel belonged to Notley Abbey and there was always a canon of that monastery warden of Caversham, who sang in chapel and had the offerings. He was accustomed to show many pretty relics, among others the holy dagger that killed King Henry, and the holy knife that killed St. Edward. All these with the coats of this image, her cap and hair, my servant will bring your Lordship next week. Has sent the canon home to Notley and made fast the doors of the chapel, the lead of which, if desired, he will make sure for the King: otherwise it will be stolen by night,—as happened at the Friars, where they took the clappers of the bells, and but for the aid of Mr. Fachell and the mayor they would have made no little spoil. Reading, 17 Sept.

At Caversham is a proper lodging where the canon lay, with a fair garden and orchard, meet for any friend of your Lordship's. Recommends that the church of Grey Friars be given to the town of Reading as their town hall is small and inconvenient. Now that it is rid of "parcloses, images and altars" it would make a very good town hall. The mayor, Mr. Richard Turner, is a very honest man.

Hol., pp. 2.

17 Sept. **368.** Dr. JOHN LONDON to [WRIOTHESLEY].*

Cleop. E. iv. 226. B.M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 224. Has pulled down the image of "your Lady" at Caversham, &c. Describes the relics, of which he missed nothing but "a piece of the holy halter Judas was hanged with." The canon of Notley had conveyed home to his master as great a relic† as any of these before London came, "but I will have him and shall send it to my Lord. And this week following I will send up Mr. Johan Schorn, and so as many as I find." Has occasion to go on college business by Aylesbury and Bedford next week "and as I suppose by Northampton." In all these are places of friars which he will despatch if allowed, for as they would fain be abroad it were a pity to stay them. In several of these houses much idolatry has been used. Remember Mr. Knyzte's matter. My servant will be with you this week to bring up the Friars' surrender and the relics of Caversham, and will also bring you a token in parchment under the convent seal from the abbot and convent here. Reading, 17 Sept.

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* Not to Sir Richard Riche, as conjectured by Wright. *See* § 2.

† *See* No. 377.

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368. Dr. John London to [Wriothesley]—*cont.*

Harl. MS. 604, f.110b. B. M.

2. Copy in a later hand with the address at the bottom (now lost in the original) :—"To the right worshipful and my singular good master, Mr. Thomas Writhesley."

17 [Sept.] **369.** Sir Thos. Denys to Cromwell.

R. O.

On the 17th inst. received his letters. Sends accordingly the Breton priest,* Abevan, who has spoken with no man except Denys' servants. 17th inst. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Sept. **370.** Crokesden Abbey.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 617.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Staff., Derb., Ntht., Linc., Leic., Chester, Midd., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof, 17 Sept. 1538. *Signed by* Thos. Chalner, abbot, *and twelve others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 18.]

Seal good.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 23.] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

17 Sept. **371.** Sir Reynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

Calig. B. iii. 253. B. M.

Would have written before, but he could not bring that to pass which he desired. Cromwell will perceive his diligence by the letters enclosed; but without his help cannot perform his office of Tynedale as he would. Has striven for a year and a half to cause the Tynedale men to make amends for their offences, who now complain they were never used so before. Begs credence for his brother Thomas Carnaby and Roger Lawson. Hallton, 17 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* "My lord Privy Seal." *Endd. by Wriothesley.*

Calig. B. iii. 251. B. M.

2. "Articles given by me, Raynold Carnaby, kt., to my brother Thos. Carnaby and to my servant Roger Lawson to declare of my behalf to the right honourable and my most special and singular good Lord, my lord Privy Seal, concerning the order of the inhabitants of Tynedale, of whom I have taken the charge as the King's highness' officer there and therein have done my devoir and shall during the King's highness' pleasure. The 17th of September anno 30."

(1.) His labour in riding to days of march both on the West border and on the Middle, almost daily watching to prevent frays, being almost surrounded by evil-disposed persons of Lyddisdale, Bewcastle, Gilsland, Tynedale and Rydesdale. (2.) That the offers of Tynedale men are only dalliance till they can get home again these headsmen that Carnaby has in hold, and till they have eaten most of their hay and corn. (3.) In repressing the outlaws of Tynedale, has done all he could devise, but besides many times secretly they have now openly assembled, on Friday, the 13th, witht he inhabitants of North Tynedale. Cannot keep them out as he has no house for himself or deputy. (4.) The advisability of a raid amongst them, as he had devised, to receive such as will come in, and burn the goods of those that refuse. (5.) That every pensioner be required to levy a certain number of men. (6.) If this or some other way be not taken he cannot perform his office for Tynedale, as he would. He cannot occupy himself looking through his fingers as others have done. (7.) To know his pleasure for the house of Heslysyde. (8.) To have letters from Cromwell

* *See* No. 267.

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to the wardens of the West and Middle Marches and to Thomas Dacre, to be ready on advertisement from him. (9.) To be excused for writing his poor mind on this matter, considering the high charge given him. *Signed.*

Hol., pp. 3. *Endd.:* "Carnaby's instructions."

ii. *On the fourth page of the preceding the writer has added the following list headed:* "The names of the wardens and pensioners, as far as I can remember, of the Middle and East Marches."

Sir John Woddrington, Sir Wm. Evers, the lord Ogle, the capt. of Berwick, Sir Wm. Ogle, Sir Cuthbt. Radclif, Sir Raynold Carnaby, Sir Robt. Ellerkar, Sir Roger Gray, Sir John Delavale, Robt. Collyngwod, Thos. Gray, Lionel Gray, Thos. Forster, John Horsley, Percyvale Selby, Edw. Muschans, John Selby, John Ogle of Ogle, John Ogle of Twysil, Geo. Ogle, Thos. Heborn, Thos. Howborn, Rich. Folbery, John Car of Wark, Thos. Car of Newland, Raif Carr his brother, Willm. Strother of Newton. "These among them to find 100 persons."

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372. Sir Reynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs him to be good lord to his brother Thomas Carnaby and to his servant Roger Lawson, this bearer, in their reasonable suits, which will encourage them in the King's service. From my grandfather's poor house of Hallton, being kept from the King's house at Hexham by the plague.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

17 Sept. **373.** Nicolas Partridge to Bullinger.

Orig. Letters, 106. (Parker Soc.) Informs Bullinger about his book dedicated to the King,* and what has been done with the other copies sent as presents. On our arrival in England we inquired concerning the state of the realm. Learned that Bullinger's influence had been diminished by that unhappy retractation. Went therefore to the abp. of Canterbury, who courteously received the copy sent to himself. Offered him also the King's copy to present, which he at first refused, saying that it would be better placed in Cromwell's hands; but after supper he asked for it of his own accord and promised to deliver it, provided we were present in case the King wished to ask us questions. He then set himself to read it continuously, that he might not seem to recommend to the King a thing of which he had no knowledge. He bade us come again in two days. We then called on Cromwell. Eliot† put in his hands your book addressed to himself. He received it kindly with the letter, which he read through, though overwhelmed with business. That evening he went to Court and doubtless showed the book he had received to the King. On hearing this, Canterbury forthwith sent the King his book when we could not be present. But that it was acceptable we judge from this, that the King expressed a wish to have it translated into English. The Abp. promised to write to you this fair; but when I called on him five days before I left England, and asked if he had anything to send you, he said he had not your letter by him, having left it at his house 50 miles from London.

Eliot, I suppose, has written to you of lord Cromwell, Matravers, and the Polsteds. Latimer certainly inquired of me if we intended to return to those parts, for he would gladly write in reply. Nothing gratified him more than

* The copy presented is now in the British Museum, bearing words of presentation on the title page in Bullinger's own hand. There is also a marginal note in the King's hand at f. 94 b., declaring one argument irrelevant.

† Nic. Elyot. *See* Nos. 145, 146.

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373. NICOLAS PARTRIDGE to BULLINGER—*cont.*

your present. At that time I could make no certain promise, and when I left England he was more than 200 miles away from London. Sir Edw. Wotton received your book with great satisfaction, and is diligently engaged on it.

Religion is making good progress among us. The King has sent persons to preach the truth in all parts of England. You have heard, no doubt, of the Lady of Walsingham, and the breaking in pieces of the other idols. The flames of purgatory are extinguished among us. There is a great dispute about private masses. The ambassadors of Saxony and Hesse are still in London, in discussion daily at Lambeth. You will learn further from Master John Butler. Has sent some British cloth, Oxford gloves, &c. Wishes him to write to Ric. Tracy, father of our friend Traheron. Frankfort, 17 Sept.

18 Sept. **374.** WHITBY ABBEY.

See GRANTS in SEPTEMBER, No. 8.

18 Sept. **375.** SEMPRINGHAM PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 618.

Surrender (by Robt. bp. of Llandaff, commendatory general master of the Order of Sempyngham, and Roger, prior of Sempyngham, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Linc., Notts., Derb., Leic., Camb., Midd., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof, 18 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Roger the prior *and sixteen others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 40.]

Seal bad.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 30], as acknowledged same day before Wm. Petre, LL.D.

18 Sept. **376.** [JOHN HELIARES] to SIR THOMAS [HARRISON].

R. O.

"Brother Sir Thomas," for our troublous matters I trust we shall find remedy. My lord of Winchester gives me good comfort. Touching Spicer's matters, Mr. Chancellor advises that the other warden and "syde men" should present it to the Commissary at his next visitation; so I pray you appoint two men to present his denying of tithes, wherein I have written to Sir Geoffrey Pole, to whom you shall resort on Tuesday or Wednesday next, and if Spicer will not be ruled by him, send Horne and some other there as "syde men." Gives directions about engagement of sawyers. *Not signed.*

Small paper, p. 1. *On the back in very illegible writing is a copy of of the will of Richard Horne as follows:—*

Anno Dñi m^{lio}cccc[c]xxxv[ij?], xiiij die M[artii]. In Dñi nõie amen. Ego Ricardus Horne condo testamentum in hunc modum. In primis lego animam meam Deo ac corpus meum sepeliendum in cemiterio bẽte Marie de [War]blynton. Item lego [ecc̃le Sc̃i Swithin. ijd].* Item pro reparac̃õe capelle Bt̃e Marie ijd. Item, summo altare (*sic*) p decimis oblatis ijd. [Item, altari Sc̃i Georgii ijd.]* Item, lime (*lumini*) vocat' rode lethe ijd. [Item, lm̃e b . . . Bet̃ Marie in choro ijd.]* Item quiblz filulis meis ijd. Residuum vero bonorum meorum . . . . legatorum do et lego Alicie uxori mee, quam facio meam executricem ut ipsa disponat pro [anima] mea, & Walterũ Rwsell supervisorem, qui habebet (*sic*) pro labore suo xiij iiijd. Hiis testibus, Recardo Batt . . . . Nicolao Beschop et Domino Thoma Herrison, curato meo.

Below in Harrison's hand: [Deli]verd to Sir Wylliam Gory, Anno Domini m^{l}ccccxxxviij et xviij of Septem[ber]." †

* Crossed out.

† The letter itself is, no doubt, much earlier in date than this memorandum.

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18 Sept. **377.** Dr. John London to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 223. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 225.

Has sent up the surrender of the Grey Friars of Reading, with their plate, such as it is. Has inwardly defaced the church and dorter, leaving the rest till he know Cromwell's pleasure, and despatched all the friars out of doors in secular apparel, paying their debts and giving them each money in their purses. "This is a town of much poor people, and they fell to stealing so fast in every corner of the house that I have be fain to tarry a whole week here to set everything in due order." Hopes to receive to the King's use above 40*l.*, the mansion wholly reserved. Has sent up the principal relic of idolatry in England, an angel with one wing that brought to Caversham the spear's head that pierced our Saviour's side upon the Cross. It was conveyed home to Notley, but he sent his servant purposely for it. Sent also three coats of the image, the dagger that they say slew Henry VI., the knife that killed St. Edward, &c. Has defaced the chapel inward, and sent home the canon to his master to Notley. Has required of the abbot the relics of the house, which he showed him with good will. Has taken an inventory of them and locked them behind the high altar. They have a good lecture in Scripture daily read in their chapter-house, both in English and Latin. Reading, 18 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2.

ii. Inventory of the relics of the house of Reading.

P. 1. *In a clerk's hand, with a sentence added at the foot in Dr. London's.*

18 Sept. **378.** John Wellysburne to Cromwell.

R. O.

Wishes to know the King's pleasure touching the stewardship of the lordship of Abingdon, with the lands thereto belonging, because of the law-days and courts, which should be holden as in time past. At his parting from the King, his Highness desired him to be at all law-days and courts, but he cannot, without commission or patent. It is needful to have courts. Recommends John Pollard as understeward. He is an honest gentleman, well learned in the law and the Latin tongue, a man of judgment and substance. Cannot come himself as he has a stitch in his left side, "and sometyme in (*sic*) fallethe in my legge, that I cannot abydd well the tredyng an easye pased horse without gret grefe." Fulwell, 18 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Sept. **379.** John Gostwyk to Cromwell.

R. O.

There has been a dispute touching the vicarage of Potton, Beds., before the bp. of Lincoln's commissary, who has summoned an inquest *de jure patronatus.* The parties are a farmer of the house of the Mynoresse by London, and a friend of mine, who by an advowson granted under their convent seal before the said lease has presented one who has long taken pains in the instruction of youth in the said town. As my youth was brought up there I beg you will write to the Bp. to forbear to institute any one or take any presentment till the title has been further examined before your Lordship. Wyllyngton, 18 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Sept. **380.** Hulton or Hilton Abbey.

R. O. Rymer. xiv. 617.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Staff. and Linc., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof, 18 Sept. 1538. *Signed by* Edward Wilkyns, abbot, *and eight others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 24.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 24] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

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18 Sept. **381.** WHITE FRIARS of PLYMOUTH.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 18 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Frater Johes. Myllyn prior—Frater Symon Apphowell,—*and by* friars John Harrys, John Bond, Hev Hawyn, and Wm. Lobbe.
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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the White Friars in Plummowthe when the house was delivered to Dr. Wegans and James Horssewall for the King.
Vestry:—A suit of vestments, blue silk, priest, deacon, and subdeacon, with 3 copes of the same, 3*l.* A vestment, blue satin, the deacon and sub-deacon cloth of tinsel, 30*s.* A single vestment, red satin, the cross blue, 15*s.* 3 old tenacles, 16*d.* Blue silk altar cloth, 3*s.* 4*d.*; blue damask do. 5*s.* Two fronts, one silk, one red velvet, 2*s.* 3 old chesabulls, 12*d.* An old chest and coffer, 12*d.* A press for vestments, 8*d.* A holy water stoup, 6*d.* 3 stools for chaunters, 6*d.* A sacry bell, 1*d.*
Chambers:—A table, 2 trestles and 4 forms. A cupboard, 16*d.* Two tin candlesticks, 4*d.* An old chest, 4*d.*
The above remains in the house: besides it there was sold stuff for 7*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* Debts and charges were 37*s.* 10*d.* The Visitor has 6*l.* and 2 chalices, one of which was in pledge, 14½ oz. The Visitor has received plate which was purloined, 211 oz., for which he paid 8*l.* 4*s.* *Signed by* Edward Wygan and James Horswall.
Copy p. 1.

18 Sept. **382.** JOHN BRIERTON to ALEXANDER MATHER.

R. O. I marvel that for so many letters as I have sent you, neither you nor my uncle Sir James have sent me any. Take this for the last unless you awake. A letter from you or my uncle would revive my spirits. I enclose a letter from Peter Rede to his old playfellow, the good wife of the Three Bells. If my uncle has more money than I, "desire him to bowe me an old noble or two for a token." Recommend me to my old master and yours, my mistress and the rest, also to John Ringer, Peter at Mrs. Salter's, and the good fellows at Mr. Grene's. John Gedge, my master's servant, will see any letters conveyed to me. Valedolide, 18 Sept.
The Emperor and French king have concluded a truce for 10 years. The Emperor is now going towards Garnado to embark towards Constantinople. Deliver the enclosed letter to my uncle Sir James.
Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* servant to the right worshipful Mr. Godsalve at Norwich

18 Sept. **383.** JOHN RATTLEF (?) to CROMWELL.

R. O. Wrote lately before the arrival in this town of our King's ambassador about the business of the King's subjects here. Now, as the ambassador writes more at large, need not speak of it. Desires to have the office in this Court and Council of solicitor for the King's subjects, who repair daily to this Court about losses of money and goods and wrongs done them in these parts. A solicitor to assist them in their causes would be very useful to all the King's subjects trading in these parts. Also as the Emperor is leaving Spain to proceed against the Moors and Turks, and the ambassador accompanies him, Cromwell will want someone to advertise him of what passes here. Lately the Emperor's council commanded that no foreign cloth should be brought into these kingdoms. Thereupon petitioned the Council in the name of the city of London and other cities, and they revoked the provision. However, it will be renewed if the English clothmakers (*traperos dese reyno*) do not amend the faults in the cloth. Will write what occurs when the ambassador Don Thomas Vuyet is absent. Has written to the mayor and aldermen of London, enclosing a translation of the said provision of the Council. Vallidd., 18 Sept. 1538. *Signed.*
Spanish, pp. 2. *Add. Endd.:* "John Ratclyff, xviij° Decembr."

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19 Sept. **384.** [Sir] Richard Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O. Divers persons, both men and women, have eaten flesh yesterday, being Ember Day. If they are not punished, flesh will be eaten on Fridays and Saturdays as on other days. Asks whether they shall be committed to ward. London, Thursday, 19 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

19 Sept. **385.** Sir J. Russell to Cromwell.

R. O. I am now well amended and trust to wait on you shortly. The abbot of St. Albans has shown me an indenture and a copy of a decree, brought to him by the late abbot as if from your Lordship. The abbot is content to follow your commands, but supposes it is not your pleasure that he should seal the said indenture, for it far varies from the order your Lordship took between them at their last waiting upon you. For the "urgent causes" in the articles herein enclosed, and others, please respite the matter till I may speak with you. Cheynes, 19 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Sir John Russell.

R. O. 2. "Considerations for the not sealing of the indenture of the late abbot of St. Alban's."

* * * * the xxviij [day of Au]gust.

"Item, in the said indenture is expresse[d that] the said abbot and convent should be bounden in [one th]ousand pounds" to fulfil the same, which 1,000*l.* they would be in danger of as soon as they sealed, as the payment was not made at Lady Day and Midsummer as mentioned in the book. There is no place of payment limited; and no clause providing, if the said abbot and convent should hereafter prefer the said Robert Catton to any spiritual promotion over 40*l.* and under 80*l.*, that the said annuity of 80*l.* mentioned in the indenture might be proportionately diminished. The said now abbot says that when he and the said late abbot were before the lord Privy Seal his Lordship ordered the late abbot to pay certain debts, money by him received, which are not mentioned in the indenture.

In the hand of Sir J. Russell's clerk: p. 1. *Mutilated fragment, nearly half the leaf gone. Endd.*

19 Sept. **386.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. Though diligence has been used in the Commission of Sewers, there are certain mills very "noyfull" to the country. And as the vagabonds are not yet clearly banished from Norfolk and Suffolk, wishes Cromwell to write to him that the King marvels the premisses are not yet redressed. It would be convenient to have such a letter before the sessions of Norfolk and Suffolk, the week after Michaelmas. Begs Cromwell not to disclose that he has written for it. Kenynghall, 19 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

19 Sept. **387.** Thomas Lord Lawarr to Sir Richard Longe.

R. O. On Friday night, before Our Lady Day last, my park of Ewhurst was hunted, and two men walking there beaten and wounded. There were eight hunters at least, some in harness, and two cross-bows. There are divers suspect persons in these parts as the bearer, Wm. Tanner, can show you. I beg you to be a mean to the King, that these men may be examined before the Council. Halfnakyd, 19 Sept.

P.S. in his own hand. I shall deserve your goodness if I can, and for Tanner, I hear say you are his good master, for which I thank you. *Signed.*

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387. Thomas Lord Lawarr to Sir Richard Longe—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Particulars of the hunting.

On 6 Sept. 30 Henry VIII., being the Friday before Our Lady Day the Latter, on which day at night the park of Ewhurst was hunted, there went at 8 a.m. from Shoreham, John Martin, Robt. Wilson and Reynold Gibson, and were drinking at Henfield at one George's house at 7 p.m., and where they became afterwards I cannot tell. There is an ale house in Henfyld called William Boneface house where was great resort at 8 that night. And there was a man that heard divers say within the house "Now shall we go?" "Nay," said another of those within, "I will not go this night, we will go another night." Then said the other "If thou wilt not go now we will not go at all. Then let us go our way." With that two or three went out at the street door and smote their staves on the ground. And there were three men that night at 2 in the morning at Woodds Mill having with them "a vallowe dogge and a black." And there was eaten at the said John Martin's house a pasty of holt venison the Tuesday after this hunting, and at old Gibson's house there was a shoulder of venison a roasting. The two men that were hurt say that there were eight hunters at the least, two of them had crossbows and some had harness. The keepers desired the hunters to give them drink, and one of the hunters filled a sallet full of water and gave one of the keepers drink, "and shakyd his harness over him, Here is for you, and would a made them swear on a book that they should never tell that there was any hunting there." The keepers refused, for if they kept it secret men would think that one of them had hurt the other. On Tuesday and Wednesday about 8 p.m., before the hunting, there came Robert Wilson and one with him riding from Cofold and met with Mr. Covert at Morles Bridge. Mr. Covert asked who was there and he said a good fellow. On which Wilson whistled for his greyhounds and Mr. Covert thought he had done it to have his spaniels. Mr. Covert met him at Henfyld two or three days after and asked him "Robert, did not I meet with you such a night?" and he said "No," and confirmed it by an oath. After that Wilson went to his own house to the Downs, and told a man by the way that he had thought to cast Mr. Covert into the dyke from his horse if he had not heard his hawk's bells on his fist. And he made his boast that he or his fellow had a tegge that time behind one of them on their horse.

ii. The names of the suspect persons, viz.: — The parson of Woodmancote, Sir Thomas a Wood of Henfyld, Robert Wilson, Reynold Gybson, John Martyn, and William Bonyface.

In the hand of lord La Warr's clerk, pp. 2. *Add.:* To William Tanner. *Endd.*

[19 Sept ?] **388.** Bp. Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. Thought it expedient to advertise you by this bearer of my coming to London this night, and to know your counsel in my coming to the Court, and in ordering myself there. Thursday in the morning, at St. Albons.

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19 Sept. **389.** Grey Friars of Plymouth.

R. O. Surrender of the house by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 19 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* ffr. John Morys, warden of Plymouth—frater John Hunt, vysgardianus, *and by* friars Roger Sparnall, Wm. Scherwyll, John Bowgge, Robt. Elles, Wm. Barre, and Thos. Tygberd.

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R. O. 2. Indenture showing that the house of the Grey Friars, Plummowth, is delivered, to the King's use, to Thomas Clowteynge, mayor there, and Wm. Hawkyns, mayor elect. There remains at the high altar an alabaster table, with "the pore stalls" and lectern in the choir, and two bells and a clock in the steeple. The rest of the stuff was like to have been "brybeyd" away, and so was valued by the mayor, Dr. Wegans, James Horswell, and others, and sold by the Visitor for 3*l.* 10*s.* over and above his charges. This, with a chalice of 8 oz., the Visitor has for the King. *Signatures copied of Clowteyng and Hawkyns.*
Copy, p. 1.

19 Sept. **390.** [Lady Lisle] to Madame de Bours.

R. O. I promised to send you news when I returned from England. My Lord and I have lately been there and seen the King. I can hardly tell you how well he received us. All our affairs have succeeded as well as we could desire. At our departure the King made us beautiful presents. He desires that my Lord should remain here, promising he shall not want anything he can do for him. You would do my Lord and me a great pleasure if you would procure us two good goshawks, male and female. Your daughter* desires to be humbly commended to you. She has been ill with fever more than five weeks. It still attacks her every day, and we do not know what remedy to apply. Commend me to your son and to Mademoiselle d'Agincourt, your daughter. Calais 19 Sept. *Not signed.*
French, p. 1. *Add.*

391. [Lord Lisle] to Earl of Rutland.

R. O. I and my wife thank you and my Lady for your goodness at our last being in the Court with you. We beg you to get this bill signed by the King for one James Wading, an Englishman, who has long been victualler to this town, that he may continue the brewing of beer at the Middle Way without the walls of Calais, for he pays scot and lot as if he dwelt within. It will be a great injury to the town if he do not. I will send you a tun of wine.
P. 1. *Endd.:* The copy of my lord of Rutland's letter.

20 Sept. **392.** W. Earl of Southampton to Cromwell.

R. O. As I am now restored to health I intended to come to Court on Wednesday or Thursday next, but thought that first, with my hawks and dogs, I would visit my neighbours, my lords of Arundel and La Ware. Did so on Tuesday last, 17 Sept., and, after seeing my lord of Arundel and meeting with my lord La Ware, as we were hawking in the afternoon, came to me a poor man saying his wife was committed to prison in Chichester by one Gounter, J.P., of Sussex, for reporting that Sir Geoffrey Poole would have sent a band of men over sea to his brother Cardinal Poole had he not been taken. Sent the poor man to bid Gounter come speak with me at lord La Ware's; but he came not. Afterwards sent some of my folks for him and he came to me on Thursday last about 9 a.m. and brought the examinations of the woman and others, one taken before him and the mayor of Chichester the others before himself alone. Commanded him to come before me next day and sent for the woman and her daughter, who repeated their former confessions as herein enclosed. As the report appeared to originate from one Laurence Taylor *alias* Harper of Havant, I asked whether he was in ward. The justice replied that the poor man I sent did not come to him and he, in doubt what to do, after examining the said Laurence, let him go, and he was gone to a wedding to Windborne. Hearing this unwise answer and knowing Laurence to have been sometime Gounter's servant, I blamed his negligence in letting Laurence depart, and said he had

* Meaning Mary Basset

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acted like an untrue man. He waxed pale and with tears and sobbing besought me to be good to him; he had not seen the importance of the matter at the beginning, but would make amends by his diligent search for the said Laurence. I desire advice what to do, and will tarry here a day or two longer. Meanwhile I keep both the justice and the woman here in surety. I have asked my lords Matrevesse and La Ware to come to me and will inquire if they have heard of this matter. I will try out the matter and let you know either by letter or at my coming to Court. From my manor of Cowdrey, 20 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. i. Confession of John Wissedome, husband, and Joan Triselowe (*or* Truslowe), spinster, of Stoghton, Suss., 13 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., before John Gounter, J.P., in Sussex.

That they heard Johane Sylkden of Waldreton, Suss., spinster, say that if Sir Geoff. Poole had prospered till March next he would have sent a band of men over sea to his brother Cardinal Poole; also that if my Lady of Salisbury had been a young woman, the King and his Council would have burnt her at their late being in the country.

ii. Answer of the said "John" Silkden, 17 Sept., before John Gounter and Elys Bradshawe, mayor of Chichester.

Heard the above reports at Stoghton from Alice Paytchet, her mother.

iii. Confession of Alice Patchet of Stoughton, Sussex, 18 Sept.

Told her daughter that Hugh Holand was taken up to London "with his hands bound behind him and his legs bound under his horse's belly," and Sir Geoffrey Poole met him and asked where he was "bound to go." Hugh said he could not tell very well himself, and bade Sir Geoffrey "keep on his way, for he should not be long after." Heard this from Laurence Tailor of Havant, harper. Also she says, Sir Geoffrey would send over sea to his brother in March next, &c.

iv. Answer of Laurence Tailor.

Reported the first article but not the last. Told Alice that Holand was suspected of carrying letters over sea; Ric. Heyre told him so.

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20 Sept. **393.** W. Earl of Southampton to Cromwell.

R. O. Laurence Taylour, the harper of Havant, who was lately examined by Gunter, the justice of peace, and let go again, has been arrested again by his servants in consequence of Southampton's rebuke. Walter Russell, of the Guard, the bailiff of Havant, also sought for him. He was arrested at one Richard Cockwells of Farlington. Lord La Ware was unable to come to attend to the matter, as he and Sir Wm. Goring had to sit elsewhere in commission, but lord Matravers came. Taylour denied the words attributed to him in Alice Patchet's confession, that Sir Geffrey Poole would have sent over the sea to his brother at March next if he had not been taken, but she again affirmed it, and finally he confessed, but could not tell where he heard it, unless it was from Richard Heyre, surgeon.

Has committed him to sure ward in his gate house, and hears that Heyre is in custody with Walter Russell. Does not think it is necessary to detain the women. The justice repents his negligence, and meant no harm. Cowdrey, 20 Sept.

The pirates who had robbed some Flemings or Englishmen coming from Iceland, and were chased by John Chaderton, and others of Portsmouth are taken. *Signed.*

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20 Sept. **394.** The Mayor and Aldermen of Coventry to Cromwell.

R. O. It is reported that the Grey and White Friars of Coventry are to be suppressed. Their churches can ill be spared; for in time of plague, sick people resort to them to hear divine service. There are but two parish churches in the town, and no small number of Christian people belong to them. If in time of plague sick people resorted to the parish churches they would infect the whole city. We beg you therefore to intercede with the King that those two churches of friars remain, the religious persons thereof to be reformed at the King's pleasure. Coventry 20 Sept. *Signed by* William Cotom, mayor, Roger Wigston, recorder, Thomas Banwell, Julian Nethermyll, Ric. Heryng, Thos Dode, Thos. Arcelen, Roger Myllys, Hugh Lawton, John Gett, Roger Palmer, Chr. Wayd, Chr. Waren, Henry Woner (?), Wm. Mailer, Cuthbert Jenour, Ric. Lee.

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Sept. **395.** Sulby or Welleford Abbey.

R. O. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Ntht., Leic. Warw., and elsewhere in England, Wales and the marches thereof, 20 Sept, 1538. *Signed by* Ralph Armonte, abbot, Robt. Bucley, prior, Thos Hyll. subprior, *and nine others* (*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 43.],

Rymer, xiv. 618.

Fair Seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 26], as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

20 Sept. **396.** Grey Friars of Bodmin.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 20 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "per me, ffr'm Waltere Rodd, gar.—per me, fr'em Johem Colyns—per me, fratrem Richardum Kesern" *and by* John Bowrood, John Colyn, Robt. Skyll, Hen. Tarway (?), John Hamley, *and* Rich. Pec.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Bodmain, received by the lord Visitor under the Lord Privy Seal, and delivered to John Bley and Nich. Bower for the King.

Choir:—On the high altar an alabaster table, a frame of old organs without pipes &c. Vestry:—7 suits of vestments of damask, baudkyn, silk and worsted, with other vestments, &c. Chambers, frayter and buttery:—furniture detailed. The kitchen and brewhouse furniture, except a brass pot and a copper in a furnace, sold to pay costs for 23*s.* 1*d.* Two old feather beds with coverings sold for 10*s.* The convent was in debt above 16*l.*, to discharge which the warden had a suit of white vestments, not yet all paid for, a pair of organs, a little maser and 2 spoons. The Visitor has 286 oz. silver. There was a chest of evidences belonging to 3 divers gentlemen which I have sealed and left with the prior of the canons of Bodman. The evidences of the house remain with the keepers. *Signed by* Nic. Bowar *and* John Blygh.

Copy, pp 3.

20 Sept. **397.** Geo. Rolle to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Last night I received your Ladyship's letter, dated Dover, 5 Sept. I am glad to hear of the King's letter concerning the recoveries and fines of which you wrote. I showed this to my lord of Bridgewater that he might give up his unreasonable demand, but he had good hope from the King. John Davey can report what I said to him. He made a great matter of his father giving Mr. Bassett 3,000 marks, as appears in the great indenture, but I showed him never one penny was paid. He also alleged the payment of

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500 marks to Hugh Beamount. He would not be removed from his unreasonable demand contained in my last letters from Perrot, but when the King's pleasure is declared to him by his own friends, I trust he will be more reasonable. There is no need now to make a fresh suit to him I would your Ladyship would remember an old letter of mine advising that Mr. John Bassett should be put to my lord Privy Seal's service, that after a convenient season, he might put him to the King's service. One article in my last letter, written at midnight, was that my Lord and you should labour the King to order my lord of Bridgewater and your counsel to come to London and show your titles before two noblemen and two judges, who should report to the King that he may make a final end between you to bring the whole inheritance home. Though it cost 1,000 marks there are many of your friends who would be bound for him. As to the title of the bastard Beamount, I am of your mind. You have fines and proclamations and bastardy certified in the Chancery. I am glad that Mr. Ric. Pollard was with you at Dover. My Lord should write to Sir Ric. Riche, Chancellor of the Court of Augmentations, for delivery of the evidence of Frystoke and Brodwod, which is in the parish church of Frystoke, sealed by Sir Thos. Arundell and the King's auditor. I have an abstract of the indentures of all the tenants in Frystoke and Brodwode Wygger, and I have taken some fines of those who had taken reversions by convent seal. The world is dead in these quarters by reason of the great plague yet remaining. I thank you and my Lord for my patent. Stevenston, 20 Sept.

Hol, pp. 2. *Add.:* at Calais.

20 Sept. R. O. **398.** Edmond Boner to Cromwell.

The bearer, Sir Ant. Browne, will explain all our proceedings since his arrival. Cannot enough commend his dexterity and discretion. Has had of him a great treasure and shall want him greatly if he has much to do. Has been visited three or four times by an Italian who wants to know what is to be done as to the pension due to the King. He brought Bonner a letter (enclosed) sent to the bp. of Winchester, desiring him to read it as he had left. Desires to know Cromwell's pleasure about it. 20 Sept.

Hol., p 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Sept. R. O. **399.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

Intended yesterday to have ridden to Norwich to take the surrender of the Grey Friars, but was ill and so sent his son of Surrey, his treasurer, and others of his council, who have taken the surrender and left the Duke's servants in charge. Thinks the other two friars should be enjoined to make no more waste: the Black Friars have sold their greatest bell. Will be with the King at his Highness' coming to Greenwich. Kenynghale Lodge, 21 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Sept. R. O. **400.** Sir Henry Knevet to Lord Lisle, Deputy of Calais.

My friend Killygrave has been a suitor to the King for a quarter of a year for leave to be about such business as he has here, but the King will give him no licence until you send a letter "declaring how the person t[hat shall] have any such licence may be spay[red] in his [room]." I beg you therefore to inform me whether he can be spared, finding a person in his room. The young man has very necessary business here, as he informs me, and I pray your Lordship to be good to him. Commend me to my lady my mot[her]. Otford, 21 Sept. *Signed.*

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[21 Sept.] **401.** RICHARD POLLARD, WRIOTHESLEY, and JOHN WILLIAMS to CROMWELL.*

R. O. St. P. I. 621.

About three o'clock this Saturday morning, made an end of the shrine here at Winchester. There was no gold, nor ring, nor true stone in it, but all great counterfeits; but the silver alone will amount to 2,000 mks. Have also received the cross of emeralds, the cross called Jerusalem, another gold cross, two gold chalices, and other plate. The old prior so diminished the plate of the house, that they cannot take any. The prior and convent were conformable. The mayor, with eight or nine of his brethren, the bishop's chancellor, Dr. Craiford, with others, assisted and praised the King therefor. The altar will be worth taking down, but it is such a piece of work that they cannot finish it before Monday night or Tuesday morning; "which done we intend both at Hyde and St. Mary's to sweep away all the rotten bones that be called relics; which we may not omit lest it should be thought we came more for the treasure than for avoiding of the abomination of idolatry."

Wriothesley apologises for the rudeness of the letter, written in the church in haste, and asks his favour for the bearer concerning some farm which Sir Wm. Kempe would have of him to his undoing. St. Swythines in Winchester, Saturday morning. *Signed.*

In Wriothesley's hand, pp 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

402. WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

Harl. MS. 358, f. 17b. B. M.

The Inventory of the Cathedral Church of St. Swithin's, Winchester.

Abroad in the Church.—The nether part of the high altar, plate of gold garnished with stones, the front above of broidering work and pearl, and above a table of images of silver and gilt garnished with stones. Above the altar a great cross and an image of plate of gold garnished with stones. Behind the high altar, St. Swithin's shrine, of plate, silver, and gilt garnished with stones. In the body of the church a great cross and the image of Christ and Mary and John, silver, partly gilt. A cross, silver gilt, with the image, over the iron door. The two images of Mary and John are but copper gilt.

The Sextry Jewels of Gold.—5 gold crosses garnished with precious stones, one is but plate of gold fixed upon wood. A "scryne" of gold plate garnished with precious stones. A little pair of gold candlesticks. A little gold box with a cover to bear the holy sacrament. 3 gold chalices, one of them garnished with precious stones. A little gold box. A little gold sacring bell. 4 gold pontifical rings with precious stones. A gold pectoral set with stones. A pectoral partly gold and partly silver, set with stones 2 saints' arms of gold plate garnished with stones. St. Philip's foot, covered with gold plate and stones. A book of the 4 evangelists, written with gold and the outer sides of plate of gold.

Jewels of Silver.—A tabernacle of Our Lady, silver and gilt. Nine crosses of silver gilt, one of crystal. 21 "scrynys," all silver gilt, part silver gilt, copper and gilt, silver and ivory, and copper gilt, some set with stones. 12 silver gilt chalices belonging to the sextry and the altars and chantries founded in the church. 4 silver gilt paxes belonging to the sextry and other altars. Six silver gilt "canstykes." One silver "canstyke" belonging to St. Swithin's shrine. 6 silver gilt cruets. 7 silver gilt censers. 2 "sarys," one silver gilt, the other silver. 3 pair of basins, silver gilt. 2 "yewrs," one silver gilt, the other silver. 6 silver gilt images. 31 collars, 6 of them garnished with silver gilt, plate, and stones, the rest of broidering work and pearl. 6 silver gilt pectorals garnished with stones. 3 silver gilt pastoral staves. One pastoral staff of a unicorn's horn. 3 standing mitres of silver gilt, garnished with pearl and precious stones.

Copy, in the hand of John Stowe, the antiquary, p. 1.

* This letter is wrongly assigned in the State Papers to the year 1539.

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21 Sept. **403.** CHARLES BULKELEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. As commanded in your letters, I have sundry times repaired to examine Sir Thos. Grey, priest. He was so weak and sick that I could scantly perceive his speech, so I had him out of prison and well cherished, and he is now better: I send his sayings to you. He has been in some of the places in service, but I cannot perceive that he has any communication with outward parties. It is well proved he has been a lunatic these four or five years; and the lord Chief Justice at the assizes desired to consult with other justices for his deliverance. I beg your favour to get me the house of the Grey Friars in Salisbury, which is like to be soon in the King's hands. I have had lodging in it this 20 years, at 26*s.* 8*d.* a year, which is all the yearly profits they receive within the precinct of the house. I will give 100*l.* for it, and would use the timber and stone to build my own lodging, trusting there to keep twice as many persons as there now are friars, who shall work for their living, without begging. The jewels and goods come to about 100 marks: I would gladly buy them too. In the Grey Friars at Sarum, 21 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, keeper of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Examination of Thomas Grey, clerk, taken at Fyssherton, 12 Sept., 30 Henry VIII., before Charles Bulkeley, Wm. Marshall, John Regent, Ric. Feelde, John Good, and John Crase.

The said Thomas Grey says he was born at Charleton Hustwayte, Yorks.; his father was a smith. He was four years at school at Tapclyffe at Swale, under the tuition of Sir Henry Osgoodby, steward to the earl of Northumberland. After this, he was, three years, child of the "farmarye" in the abbey of Newborough. At that time the queen of Scots* came to the abbey and lay over the "farmarye," this being after "the Scottysshefeld." Here one Sir John Clerk was his schoolmaster. After this he went to Oxford and was bible clerk and butler in St. Barnard's College four years, being in chamber with Mr. Bylond and Mr. Ryvers, and with one Mr. Bukfaste. Having obtained his letters of orders he went to Rome. He went through Calais, Guisnes, Tournay, Shalond (Chalons sur Marne), Troyen Champyon (Troyes en Champagne), Dyuyon (Dijon), Salon within the Mountains (Sallanches in Savoy), Mount Barnard, being a religious house, Ivarya, Pavia, Plesaunce, Parnay, Bonania, Sinowce to Florentyne and Florence, Sutors (Sutri) and Rome, where he visited St. Peter's and laboured to receive the order of priesthood. Within four days he was "apposed" in Camera Apostolica and afterwards admitted to be priest, registered and promoted to "Benett and Collett." He took orders at a place called Farmellus within the city. He left England about the latter Lady Day, and was at Rome by All Hallows' eve, and was made priest on St. Martin's Day by one Michael, bp. and cardinal of Ostyans. For the most part he begged his meat and drink all the way, and from Rome homeward by Loryta and Boonany. Arrived at Calais at Candlemas where he sang a trentall for lady Tremayle and remained a quarter of a year. Thence came to London and took service with Sir Edmund Bray by Cobham for 12 months. Was then soul priest for one year at Shere in Surrey, and parish priest another year when Sir Edmund Bray went to Morlez. He then went to Bentle Grene in Hampshire, where he was parish priest under the archdeacon of Surrey for three years. Served afterwards at various other places in Hampshire, for different periods, all exactly reported till he fell sick, and was sent by Robt. Applegate of Medstede to one Beane till he recovered, which was 12 days before he was taken.

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* Margaret, widow of James IV. The date referred to is 1517. *See* Vol. II. No. 3278.

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21 Sept. R. O. **404.** THE COUNCIL OF THE NORTH to SIR REYNOLD CARNABY.

Have received his letters of the 15th, by his brother Thomas Carnaby and his servant Roger Lawson. Commend his proceedings in taking the Tynedale men whom he has now in Warkworth Castle, and informing them of his intended purposes. Desire him to keep the prisoners till 12 Oct., when they will take counsel with him at Darneton about them. Meanwhile, to keep them surely, in their diets and otherwise, so as to inspire fear in the rest. He shall also apprehend and bring with him to Darneton, Roger Heron of Corbrigg, with all further proofs and matter he can find against him. He is to take care that the country near those parts be not overrun by the inhabitants of Tyndale, the outlaws of England, or the Scots of Liddersdale, and to keep them from intercommoning with the Scots. Also if possible to trap some of those outlaws whose names have been intimated to him by the Council and by John Horsley, for the fearful example of their accomplices. York, 21 Sept.

Copy in Uvedale's hand, pp. 2. *Endd.*: Copy of letters sent from the Council to Sir Reynold Carnaby, of the 21st day of September 30 Hen. VIII.

22 Sept. R. O. **405.** BLACK FRIARS of TRUROYE.

Surrender of the house, by prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 22 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* per me, frater (*sic*) Johannis Reskarnan—ffr. Johes. de Coloribus, *and by* friars John Cok, Petrus Tomkyn, Ric. Cossyn, Martinus Jeffre, Uryin Blybyn, Thos. Pascaw, Ric. Martyn, Davy Porter, and John Wood.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Black Friars of Trurey delivered by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, to Walter Devis, mayor there, John Thomas, serjeant-at-arms, and John Ganrigan, for the King.

Choir:—At the high altar a proper table, new painted at the prior's charges, an old cloth before the altar, lamp basin, holywater stoup and sacry bell, a pair of organs, books after the friars' use, poor and old stalls. *Church*:—2 old altars, 2 sacry bells and certain seats. In the steeple 3 bells "each more than other." *Vestry*:—All stuff was very poor: it was appraised by the mayor, John Thomas, and John Michell, and sold by the Visitor to pay the debts of 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The Visitor has '360 oz. of plate. The said keepers have the evidences, and have delivered a chest of evidence of divers men's to the mayor. *Signed by* Walter Denis, John Thomas, and John Ganergam.

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22 Sept. R. O. **406.** SIR NICH. CAREW to LORD LISLE.

Begs a licence for Benet Kyllygrave to absent himself from Calais until Easter. The King is willing thereto, but in consequence of his promise made to Lisle at Dover, will grant no such licence without Lisle's letters. Otford, 22 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

22 Sept. Add. MS. 28,590; f. 240. B. M. **407.** CHARLES V. to AGUILAR.

Wrote on the 8th, and has since received his of the 29th ult. Marriages proposed between the Prince of Spain and Margaret of France, and between the duke of Orleans and the Infanta, daughter of the Emperor, or the Infanta of Portugal. Has excused treating the latter on the ground that that of Orleans and the daughter of the king of the Romans by means of the State of Milan was already proposed. The bp. of Tarues (Tarbes) come to reside as French ambassador. The duke of Savoy. Duke Cosmo de Medicis.

Spanish, pp. 6. *Headed:* Valladolid, 22 Sept. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar* VI. i. No. 15.]

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23 Sept. **408.** THOMAS THACKER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis 3 Ser. iii. 109.

I have for three months laboured to the abbot of Darleigh, Derbyshire, near where I was born and where my poor lands lie, to surrender his house to the King. I trust shortly to have his letter thereof and beg your Lordship to help me to the house and goods. London, 23 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My Lord my master, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Sept. **409.** STEPHEN, ABBOT OF HAYLES, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis 3d Ser. iii. 223.

Thanks for his inestimable goodness. The case which contained that feigned relic called the "blood" still stands where it did in the fashion of a shrine. Is afraid it may cause abuse to weak consciences, and begs that he may put it down, every stick and stone, and leave no remembrance of that forged relic so long as it pleases the King that this poor house may stand. The silver and gold in it is not worth 40*l.*, scarce 30*l.* Heiles, 23 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Sept. **410.** JOHN [HILSEY], Bp. of Rochester, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Writes in favour of Dr. Hardyman, late prior of the Austyn Friars in Cambridge, a catholic man, very studious and of good conversation and report, who desires to have the preferment of the said house now surrendered. Cambridge, 24 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Sept. **411.** HAVERHOLM PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 624.

Surrender (by Robert, bp. of Llandaff,* perpetual commendatory of the office of general master of the Order of Sempyngham, and Wm. prior of Haverholme, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Linc., Notts., and Leic., and elsewhere in England, Wales and the marches thereof, 24 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII *Signed by* Wm. Halle, prior, *and six others.** [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 22.]

Fair Seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 34] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, LL.D.

24 Sept. **412.** [SIR] ROBERT HUSEY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

When of late I sent my servant, this bearer, to your Lordship for the preferment of the demesnes of the late dissolved house of Haverholm, I perceived by him that you favoured my request and said I should have knowledge of the dissolving of it, which I had not. Yet I doubt not you will continue my good lord concerning the said suit. Linwodd, 24 September. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Sept. **413.** SIR WALTER DENYS to CROMWELL.

R. O.

On Wednesday, 18 Sept., Lewis Herbertt of Burgavenny came from London, as he saith, and lodged in Pockechurch (Pucklechurch) Gloucestershire. Hearing that he had "rumoured divers news to the people in a inn

* In this and one or two other surrenders of Gilbertine priories, the bishop of Llandaff is mentioned as having attached his own seal to the surrender as master of the Order, while the prior and convent attach theirs also. But the Bishop's seal is not actually attached, though the tag of parchment to which it should have been attached exists, at the left-hand side of the conventual seal. In the case of the head house, the priory of Sempringham (No. 375), there is only one seal, as the bp. of Llandaff, master of the Order, with the prior and convent, formed but one corporation.

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there," examined him and those present and committed him to Gloucester gaol. Sends his confession and the sayings of witnesses. 24 Sept.

Hol., p. 7. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Confession of Lewez Herbert of Aburgavene in Wales, 18 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.

Came to Puckulchurch, Glouc., on Tuesday evening, 17 Sept., to an inn called the sign of the George, 5 miles from Bristol, and there lodged. At supper were Ric. Smyth, Wm. Lugge, and a tailor of Puckulchurch, who asked him "What news at London?" Replied there was a cry at the Cross in Cheapside on the previous Friday that no unlawful games should be used, and that angel nobles should go for 8*s.* and cross groats for 5*d.* apiece. Said also that all burials, christenings, marriages, and ordinations of priests should henceforth be registered in books and perhaps pay tribute to the King. Heard on Sunday before, at the sign of the Lambe at Abingdon, that tribute should be paid for christening, burying, and wedding.

ii. Confession of Ric. Smyth and Wm. [Lugge] of Puckulchurch, 18 Sept. 30 Henry VIII.

Confirm the above. And that he said no pig, goose, or capon should be eaten without tribute paid to the King; but this Lewez utterly denies.

Large paper, p. 1. *Mutilated. Endd.* Rumours bruited by Lewes Herbert, examined by Sir Walter Denys.

24 Sept. **414.** The Council of the North to Henry VIII.

R. O. There has lately been sent to us by Sir William Mallory one Simon Marshall taken in Mashamshire, co. York, who is one of the rebels excepted from the last general pardon granted to your subjects in these North parts. He was fellow with one Henry King, lately taken in Kent, and "also" pardoned. Send his examination. He is prisoner at present in York Castle and so sore handled with a fever quartan that we think he will not live; but as he and King have wandered about in many places and been entertained as labourers in places beyond our commission, we desire instructions what to do further. Sir Reynold Carnaby, keeper of Tyndale, has sent us his letters and credence which, being important, we forward, with the copy of such answers as we have addressed to him.* As we have appointed to consult with him at Darneton, 12 Oct., concerning those matters, we desire instructions by that day what order to take therein, especially whether the houses, corn, and goods of outlaws shall be burnt. York, 24 Sept. *Signed by Llandaff, Magnus, Ellerker, Bowys, Babthorp, Chaloner and Uvedale.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

24 Sept. **415.** Robt. Bp. of Llandaff to Cromwell.

R. O. The other commissioners and I have written to the King of one Simon Merschiall, excepted out of the pardon for the rebellion in the North, who was sent to us by Sir William Malere. We enclose his confession in the King's letters which no doubt you will see. He was with Harry King in the Isle of Thanet and other places about London, and is very sick of quartan ague. Harry King is he whom, as you lately wrote, the King has pardoned. Sir Reynold Carnaby writes that the pledges of Tyndale left the Newcastle without leave and the Tyndale men refused to lay in sufficient pledges again, so Sir Reynold, the next time the Tyndale men came to him without promise of assurance (as they call it), took eight of the best of them and sent them to Warkworth Castle, where seven are now in ward, the eighth having been suffered to escape by one Heyron. The Tyndale men keep company with the outlaws. We send to the King the copy of our answer to Sir Reynold. York, 24 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* *See* Nos. 355, 404.

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24 Sept. **416.** JOHN BROKE to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Sunday after he left, came to Calais and thence to Sent Thomer, Yeire, Betten and Arras, to seek Ant. Bochegood as commanded. Had tidings of him in each of these places as a gentleman of England who wished to see good towns and strange countries in his old days, and sometime he would go to Paris and sometime he said he would into Flanders. Thought he would to Paris because of Mr. Norre, the herald, with whom he was familiar, for he came not to Cambray. Followed to Paris, accordingly, and heard at my lord of Harfford's that he was there. Mr. Norre took great pains with me to seek [him] four days in Paris. Found he had been lodged in four places there and had left for Lyons, having asked the way thither and by the mountains of Savoy to Rome. Thinks he does not mean well. Leaves today for Lyons and hopes to speak to him. Paris, 24 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Sept. **417.** JAMES V to PAUL III.

Theiner, 610. Has twice written for the promotion of the bp. of Mirepoix to be a cardinal, and his Holiness answered the first letter, by a brief dated outside the walls of Nice, 18 June, saying that he was too much occupied in making peace among Christian princes to attend to it. James, however, is pressed with anxious thoughts concerning not merely the faith but the ecclesiastical order, especially as the enemy is sowing tares, not merely in a neighbouring field but in the nearest furrows. Let the Pope consider how much easier it is to maintain a standing Church than to raise a fallen one. Would have got Francis and other princes to testify to the virtue and magnanimity of the Bp. but that he supposed the cause of the Church was of more importance to the Pope than their recommendations. Linlithqw, 23 Sept. 1538.

Lat.

Galba, B. x. 38. B. M. **418.** HENRY VIII. to the QUEEN of HUNGARY.

Credence for Wrysley, one of his secretaries, and Stephen Vaughan.

French. Draft, corrected by the King, p. 1. *Endd.*

419. WRIOTHESLEY'S INSTRUCTIONS.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 43. Instructions given by the King to Thos. Wriothesley, whom he sends to the queen of Hungary.

1. That, taking with him the letters and writings prepared for his despatch, he shall address himself by post to such place as he hears she is in, and communicating his charge to Stephen Vaughan they shall jointly seek access and deliver the King's letters of credence. The one shall say that where the Emperor sent commissions to his ambassadors for two marriages, the first between lady Mary and Don Louis of Portugal and the second between the King and the duchess of Milan—the latter being made immediately after the decease of queen Jane—the commissions were so imperfect that no conclusions could be taken. As, however, the Emperor showed himself very desirous of the lady Mary's marriage, which the Lady Regent also tried to promote, the King, considering the distance between England and Spain, proposed that a commission should be sent from the Emperor to the Regent for one or both of those marriages; which although the Emperor did, and the King besides wrote to the Regent by Don Diego de Mendoza, he has received no reply. They are therefore to tell the Regent that the King is informed that the Emperor does not mean to proceed in the matter, but only to keep things in balance, and that the said Duchess has been lately offered, both in France and Gulyke, though he cannot believe that she could be the minister in so crafty a handled matter.

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If the Regent here labour to make excuse of this remiss proceeding, either by the death of the late ambassador there or by any other pretence, and show that she would be glad the matter were negociated, they shall tell her that the King, to avoid delay, has given them a commission for that purpose, and shall press her to confer with them at once. If she declines to do so immediately on account of the coming interview, they shall say the King knows she had a commission to treat on these things before the interview was mooted, and if she should omit the first and proceed to the second it would give the King cause to think former reports were truer than he esteemed them. If she persist, they are to press her to give some assurance that the Emperor and she still desire this alliance by writing to the King the true cause of the said delay. They shall also endeavour to discover by whose means the proposed interview has been appointed and what overtures of marriage have been set forth for the Duchess or any other personage, either on their side or on that of the French.* Wriothesley is to remain there, however he shall speed, till the interview be finished, and Vaughan shall continue ambassador till further knowledge of the King's pleasure. They shall also communicate their proceedings to Sir Anthony Brown, the King's ambassador with Francis, and [Wriothesley] shall open all letters from any of the King's ambassadors to see their proceedings, and close them again before sending them to England.

Corrected draft.

420. Cromwell's Remembrances.

Titus, B. I. 430. B. M.

Whether Sir Anthony Brown shall make any recommendations to the Queen. What diets Master Wriothesley shall have. If the queen of Hungary be content to treat, what instruction shall be given to Mr. Wriothesley both touching the King himself for his marriage, and for the lady Mary and Don Lews, if the Lady Regent desire both matters to be treated of; and how far he and his colleagues may treat before advertisement, and of what points.

Item, if the French king should require that the treaty, as well for the King's marriage as for a stronger amity, might be treated and concluded there. Item, of death of Sir Geo. Taylbose. The point of dispensation for the consanguinity and affinity.

P. 1. *In Cromwell's hand. On the outside sheet of a letter. Addressed:* To the lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* A remembrance of my Lord's own writing.

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421. Battlesden Abbey.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 610.

Surrender (by Ric. Grene, abbot, and the convent, who "do profoundly consider that the manner and trade of living which we and others of our pretensed religion have practised and used many days, doth most principally consist in dumb ceremonies and in certain constitutions of Rome and other forinsical potentates as the abbot of Cistuus and other in (*sic*) only noseled and not taught in the true knowledge of God's laws, procuring always exemptions of the bishop of Rome from our ordinaries and diocesans, submitting ourself

* Here occurs in the MS. the following passage, and which, being cancelled, is not noticed in the State Papers, and which it may be desirable to give *in extenso* though its general purport is contained in the concluding paragraph. That paragraph is in a different ink, and was evidently added when the correction was made.

"And the King's Highness' further pleasure is, that, where His Majesty hath at this time despatched Sir Anthony Browne, knight, his Grace's councillor and gentleman of his Grace's Privy Chamber, much for like purpose, the said Thomas Wriothesley and Stephen Vaughan shall advertise the said Sir Anthony what they shall find on that side, like as he shall do the semblable for his part to them, to th' intent either of them being privy unto th' other's success, the same may temper their proceedings thereafter as the case shall require."

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principally to forinsical potentates and powers which never came here to reform such discord of living and abuses as now have been found to have reigned among us," and who now know that the true way of living is declared by Christ and his Evangelists, and that it is most expedient for them to be ordered by their Supreme head, the King), of the house and its possessions; with petition for the brethren to receive under letters patent some annuity or other living, and licence to change their habits and receive such livings as other secular priests have. 25 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Grene, abbot, Thos. Todd, sub-prior, *and nine others.*

[*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 10].

In English. Seal almost gone.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 1] without mem. of acknowledgment.

422. DR. JOHN LONDON to SIR RIC. RICHE.

R. O. Being commissioned to take the surrender of Bittlesden Abbey, Bucks, has, considering that they have already paid money to have their house continue, although under 200*l.* value, assigned the abbot 40*l.* pension, the brethren 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each, and the cellarer 6*l.* Appends a list and begs favour for them in the assurance of their pensions. "There is another *quondam abbas* called Father Benet, a very honest man," who has 20 mks. pension under convent seal.

ii. List:—Ric. Grene, abbot, Ric. Benet, quondam abbot, and nine others, priests, including Thos. Todde, cellarer.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Chancellor of Augmentations.

25 Sept. **423.** CATTELEY PRIORY.

R. O. Surrender (by Robert, bp. of Llandaff, perpetual commendatory of
Rymer, XIV. 625. the office of general master or prior of the order of Sempyngham, and by Wm. prior of Catley, &c.) of the house with all its possessions in cos. Linc. and Notts. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 25 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Swyfte, prior, and two others.

[*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 15].

Seal slightly injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1., *no.* 35] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, LL.D.

25 Sept. **424.** JOHN HALES* to CROMWELL.

R. O. As Cromwell commanded, "the papistical den of idle and utterly
Ellis, 3 Ser. iii. 228. unlearned beasts at Soulbie"† is broken up and Hales in possession. Begs the continuance of Cromwell's favour. Soulbie, 25 September.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord and master my lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Sept. **425.** NORFOLK to CROMWELL.

R. O. "I send unto yo[u my] almoner, who shall advertise you of answer to[uching] my ward of Hansarde and of many other causes, un[to] whom I require you to give credence." Desires favour. Intends to come and see Cromwell "there." Kenynghall Lod[ge], 25 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Edge worn away. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* This is John Hales, clerk of the First Fruits (*see* Vol. XII. Pt. i. No. 539 (5)), not to be confounded with John Hales, baron of the Exchequer.

† Sulby Abbey, Northamptonshire, surrendered 20 Sept. 1538. *See* No. 395.

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25 Sept. R. O. **426.** ROBT. DEAN to WRIOTHESLEY.

"At Andwarpe the 25 de Sptbr. 1538":—Mr. Vathan and I have inquired "thaste" (*qu.* the state?) of Mrs. Hutton, whom we find at great "aft^r dell"; for her husband's debts to English merchants here amount to 600*l.* and to men of this country for tapestry, silks, furs, linen, &c. almost 300*l.* Flemish. Mr. Vathan thinks what is owing here should be paid, or they will make attachments and put her to trouble and open "skandyr." Please get my Lord to write to Mr. Vathan to make a stay with the English merchants, and then by selling her husband's horses and apparel the debts here may be paid.

P.S.—If she have no comfort shortly by my Lord's letters and yours we shall bury her by her husband.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* at London. *Endd.*

25 Sept. R. O. St. P. VIII. 47. **427.** [THE DUKE OF SAXONY and LANDGRAVE OF HESSE* to HENRY VIII.]

Thinks no office more friendly among those that govern than to admonish each other of dangers, especially touching religion. Found lately certain letters in the hands of an Anabaptist,† in which mention was made of England, showing that the errors of that sect daily spread abroad. Sends copy. Describes their doctrines and practices in Germany, and the different sects among them, also the measures taken to repress them. The magistrates who obey the bp. of Rome in their severity against Anabaptists slay good men who have no sympathy with them. We have found by experience that the best remedy is to have the Word of God truly preached. 25 Sept. 1538.

Translation in Morysine's hand.

25 Sept. Balcarres MS. IV. 47. Adv. Lib. Edin. **428.** J. VAILLANT DE GUELLIS (?) to [the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND].

Thinks she has heard of the death of his father, the bailly of Dunoyes, who long and loyally served her and the Duke, her late husband, and his ancestors; in consideration of which services the late Cardinal of Orleans, at the request of the said late Duke, who was then his ward, granted, 10 years ago, the office to the writer and his father in survivorship. Has presented the document to her father the duke of Guise; but some gentlemen have induced him to nominate the *avocat* of Dunoys, which he could never have done if he had known the writer's claim. Begs her to write to her father and mother in his behalf. Can serve her better than the *avocat*, as the King has given him in his absence, in consideration of his services to himself and the late King, the estate of Councillor in the Great Council. Paris, 25 Sept. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Begins:* Madame.

25 Sept. Vesp. C. VII. 87. B. M. **429.** RICHARD ABBIS to [CROMWELL].

Arrived at Cadix 5 Sept., having touched at the Groyne in Galicia on his way. Has thus learned the news of these countries, with the little favour they bear the King, "with their great popish, naughty, slanderous words in all parts." Since the peace the King's subjects are taken in derision, hated as Turks, and called heretics and "Lutaryos," and they say plainly they hope to have war with England, and set in the bishop of Rome with all his disciples again in England. Englishmen dare not speak, but stand in fear of their popish law; but there are many, both Englishmen and Irishmen, especially the latter, who slander the realm. Moreover, Englishmen's words and oaths are no longer regarded as they used to be, they use

* *See* footnote in State Papers and No. 264. † *See* No. 265.

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so many devices to defraud the King of his customs, which are much injured both here and in the Levant. Four ships have come out of Hull and Lynn with butter and victuals, in spite of the restraint; and much comes out of Wales and Bristol to create dearth in England; and now wheat is worth 20*s.* the quarter in these parts, "the which they will perceive shortly to bring over." On the 7th a ship came out of Falmouth (Mr. Hew Trevynyan is owner). Divers merchants with tin came in her, and two White Friars to help slander the realm in these parts. At Hallowmas or Christmas your Lordship may have the ship and men at home. The master's name is Ric. Butler. "Trewly suche lyke slanderous blode sowpers that this country is filled with out of England in every monastery hath and doth daily slander the King's grace and his whole realm." Hopes Cromwell will see them punished. Met also in the Groyn in Galicia an Irish gentleman of the kindred of Fythegarode named Domyngo Pawlo. "Truly he hath had a very ill name in these parts of his countrymen to be a great traitor against the King's Grace." Would trust to bring him to Cromwell if he knew his Lordship's pleasure; "for he is now married in the Groyn, and dareth not go home to Galway and Limerick. And by him your Lordship should know of more traitors in Ireland; for truly I did see in his purse a safe-conduct of the Emperor for Limerick and Galway, of years past provided for doubt of wars that they thought should be between the King's Grace and the Emperor." In the Groyn a servant of the writer, shortly before his coming thither, ran away with 200*l.* of his. To continue his favour with the Irish traitor, has given him power to recover the money; for he would spend his life and goods to bring him into Cromwell's power.

Remains here till he get a freight for England, for owing to his great losses he has nothing to lade his ship with. Hopes he may yet come home shortly and pay Sir Thomas Spert. This country is full of idolatry and "blode sopers." The Emperor has "imbargyd" all his great ships of Biscay to be ready in March for Levant and Constantinople, and has summoned all the lords and gentlemen of these parts to be with him shortly. He has "straynyde" in Sevill all his merchants' riches of gold and silver that have come within these five months from his "Indyas of Perrow" and other places. Cadix, 25 Sept. 1538.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

26 Sept. R. O. **430.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

Of Nich. Eyer I received your sundry letters, and by reason of Mr. Wriothesley's and Mr. Pollard's absence have not delivered them; for they willed me not to meddle with my Lord till the King's coming to Greenwich, which will be tonight. Tomorrow I shall deliver them and certify you by Nich. Eyer what is to be done. Mr. Wriothesley and Mr. Pollard have been at Winchester about such the King's affairs as they had at Canterbury, but came home yesterday and have promised to assist your affairs. I have delivered your letter to the bishop of Canterbury, and as yet cannot meet him; but when, in three or four days, the Saxons are despatched his Grace will be at leisure and I shall know his mind. Mr. Brian is something amended, and was glad to hear of you. He told me he dreamt that the King made him comptroller of Calais to keep you company, and that he was never more healthful nor merrier. He thanks you for Mr. Speccot; "for he would not have missed him for no good." Mr. Russell and my Lady are merry, and send commendations. He will be shortly at the Court. There are weighty matters in hand, and divers of the West country committed to the Tower. I send you by Gyll'me Partner a great bible and a small bible. The great cost 10*s.* and the other 5*s.* Whichever of them you like not may be sent back, "and you shall have another for him."

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I send also two pair of hosen and the rest of your liveries according to the bill in my Lady's letter, which amounts to 51*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.* I had much ado to get them from "him" without money. I and a friend are bound to pay him by Allhallow tide. Cannot hear of Mr. Bonham, but think he will be here before next term. The rest I refer to Nicholas' coming, which shall be within three days. London, 26 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

26 Sept. R. O. **431.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

I received your sundry letters by Nic. Eyre, which I cannot thoroughly answer till he returns. I hope to despatch him in three days. Mr. Basset has been entertained most lovingly by Sir John Russell and my Lady. They are well, but not yet thoroughly strong. They like their conserve, and my Lady would gladly learn from you the making of it. Mr. Basset was also with Mr. Bryan, who made very much of him, and said he was sorry he was not well enough to do your Ladyship some pleasure at Dover. It is hoped that he is passed the worst. When Mr. Rolles comes you will know the certainty about the earl of Bridgewater's coming. It is thought he will be here this term, and then you may come over if you please. I hope, now that Mr. Wriothesley and Mr. Pollard are come home, I shall be despatched of your letters. You will receive of the bearer, Gill'm Partner, the rest of your liveries packed in two little fardels, in six ells of good canvas and mailed with small cords, which canvas your Ladyship may cause to be saved. I send the account of these cloths. The whole amount is 51*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.* I have had much ado to get them without money. Mr. Bonham is not yet come. I must speak to him about Sobberton. I send by the bearer two bibles and two pair of hose for my Lord, and I hope to send some barberries by Hen. Vernam. I have been told secretly that my lady Russell is with child. I will take an opportunity to reason with Mr. Skutte, when he is merrily disposed. The rest I defer till Nicholas' return. London, 26 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

26 Sept. R. O. Rymer, XIV. 618. **432.** BOLINGTON, or BULLINGTON PRIORY.

Surrender (by Robt. bishop of Llandaff, commendatory general master of the Order of Sempyngham, and by Ric. prior of Bolyngton, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Linc. and York, and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 26 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Brytan, prior, *and nine others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 10.]

Stained. Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 32] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, LL.D.

[26] Sept. R. O. **433.** ANTHONY BUDGEGODE to CROMWELL.

My sudden and foolish departure from England was owing, not to any untruth, but to the 100 marks I took with me, and I have oftener repented it "than be pence in the whole sum." There was another special cause which no one knows except that I have shown some part of it to my friend Broke, the bearer, and will show the rest to your Lordship if life last me to come to England. As for any knowledge I have "between my lord Deputy of Ireland and Mr. George Paulet," I will answer for it he is as true a man to the King as lives. I pray God the same may appear in the rest of his company. As for my lord Deputy, I never knew a man do his prince service more painfully; for which he is disdained by many of

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433. ANTHONY BUDGEGODE to CROMWELL—*cont.*

those put in trust. I never knew of any secret meetings between my Lord and Mr. Paulet, but I saw divers meetings of all the Commissioners and several of the Council at dinner and breakfast, when sometimes my Lord would speak more apart with Mr. Paulet than with others, simply because he gave counsel without dissimulation. I myself went once or twice from Mr. Paulet to my Lord, with his advice that, notwithstanding he knew of conspiracies by the Master of the Rolls, the Chief Justice, Cowley, Cewsake, and others, he should sober himself and use patience, applying himself to the King's affairs. I beg you will devise some means for my old age. Half an hour before my departure from London, I thought it no more than the child this night born, and no creature knew of it, nor have I written to England till this hour. Bony,* Thursday before Michaelmas Day.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. **434.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Saw my lord Privy Seal today. He says the King never made you any grant, nor gave you more than 200*l.* per annum. But before this motion was made he said he did his best to get you 500 or 600 marks pension, but the King would not give more than 200*l.* I said, as it had been bruited that the King had given you 400*l.* per annum, the conceit of not having it might cost you your life. He answered, whether you died or not the King would do no otherwise. I said, a word from his mouth would set it all right. He promised at last to do his best, and commanded me to make two bills, the one at 200*l.*, the other at 400 marks. You are yourself to blame in this matter, for had you been earnest with the King you might as well have had 1,000 marks as 100. But I perceive that you never spake to him about it. Now for the place where it is to be paid. The Treasurer of the Chamber is often without money. The Jewel House, Augmentation, and First Fruits is as ill, and the Chequer worse, and to be paid at Calais by the treasurer or receiver worst of all, unless you compound with them beforehand. You had better take their advice in drawing your bill as to the payment. Touching the Friars he tells me that in the end all shall be yours. When I moved him for the 100*l.*, he said if you go through with him for Paynswick you shall have many hundred pounds of him. It is clear he will not lend any. I told him it was my Lady's jointure, and she wouldn't part with it without an equivalent. When Mr. Popley comes up, will arrange for Mr. James's prebend. You must thank Mr. Wriothesley, who is now going to Calais. Can do nothing for Mr. Bonham till he comes to London. I have sent your letter to Leonard Smyth. It is no use suing to the King for any abbey, "for his Grace will be the doer himself in the suppressment, and will part from none of them at any suit or otherwise." I send (sent) you the rest of the liveries by Gyllam Partner, with two bibles and two pairs of hosen. The Lywbyaks (Lubeckers) or Saxons are this day despatched. Tomorrow I shall be in hand with my lord of Canterbury for an answer to your letter. The bishop of Winchester is daily expected. A British priest† has been put into the Tower, as some think for treason. London, 27 Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

27 Sept. **435.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I received this day your letter of Worthe. I hear nothing of those you sent by Mr. Degory's servant. The King's letters for my lord Chancellor and the justices are not yet done, in consequence of Mr. Wriothesley's absence, but he left remembrance with Mr. Solyman for their despatch.

* Bonny on the Loire above Briare. † Perhaps Abevan. *See* Nos. 267, 369.

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You must thank Mr. Wriothesley now at his coming to Calais. Mr. Pollard is busy and can do no good; but when at leisure, I hope to "get of him his meaning of the Bewmondes title." I cannot see that my Lord's annuity will be above 200*l.* or 400 marks. There is no doubt he will have the Friars, but must wait his time. As to lord Daubeney's coming, the certainty is not yet known. When Mr. Rolles comes the truth will be known. My lord Privy Seal has surely a mind to Painswick, and I think has bought the reversion. I think Leonard Smith forgot what he said or knew not where the indenture is. I know not what to do about Soberton till Mr. Bonham comes. I hear Mrs. Anne Basset is well amended. I will see her in four days. Mr. Skutt shall not be forgotten. I never heard of the poticary of Exeter nor of his barberries. I hope tomorrow to buy some for your Ladyship. I sent by Gylliam Partner the rest of your liveries, with two bibles for my Lord and two pair of hose. Mr. Coffin shall not be forgotten for your saddle, nor yet the travers, which if I have not within 14 days I will never look for. London, 27 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

27 Sept. R. O. **436.** Sir Francis Bryan to Cromwell.

The abbot of Sulbye, whose steward I am, lately came to ask my counsel about surrendering his house. I advised him to go to you and declare his mind, and I beg you to be good lord for his pension. Give credence to the bearer, the bailly of Olney. If I had been able I would have written with my own hand. Bedyngton, 27 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. R. O. **437.** John [Hilsey], Bishop of Rochester, to Cromwell.

Has been at Babewell,* as he wrote, and communed with the warden to know whether he would surrender if the King sent to him. Though he is somewhat circumspect in worldly things, he granted that he said some of the words reported in Hilsey's last letter, but, as one sorry for the same, desired Hilsey to receive his humble submission, and said he was ready to surrender if the King or Cromwell wish. Offers to take the surrender at his return from Lynn. Has commanded him and the brethren not to diminish or alienate any of the stuff. Asks Cromwell to put the name of Babwell in his letter, and if he insert Thetford and Ware also, which are in his way homeward, will bring the surrender of them. There is at Babwell a bedridden friar, who shall be used as Cromwell shall command. Bury, 25 Sept.

Came here to Thetford on Sept. 26, on his way to Lynn. Found the place of Black Friars without a head, with all the doors shut for the safeguard of the stuff, for the people were ready to snatch and spoil. Found the Austin Friars so bare that there was no earthly thing at all but trash and baggage. Has therefore discharged them of their houses, and taken their surrender. Thetford, 27 Sept.

P.S. in his own hand. Thought not to have meddled with these houses till he heard further of Cromwell's pleasure, but they were so far gone that if they had continued, all had been spoiled. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. R. O. **438.** Thetford, Austin Friars.

Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in co. Norf. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 27 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Nich. Pratt, prior, *and two others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 44].

Faded. Without seal.

* A house of Grey Friars in Suffolk.

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439. THETFORD, BLACK FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in co. Norf. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. —— (*blank*) 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Cley, prior, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 44].

Faded. Without seal.

27 Sept. **440.** SIXHILL PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 619. Surrender (by Robt. bp. of Llandaff, commendatory master of the Order of Sempyngham, and by James, prior of Syxhill, &c.) of the house with all its possessions in cos. Linc. and Notts. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 27 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* James Wales, prior, *and seven others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 41].

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 33] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, LL.D.

27 Sept. **441.** EDW. BISHOP OF MEATH to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends a goshawk. Had promise of the whole nest, but Justice Luttrell prevented him of one, which the Bp. hears has been sent to Cromwell. They are very scarce. Last year sent two by Thomas Agarde and had no acknowledgment of their receipt. Begs two or three words in writing of the receipt of them and of this. Has paid the 20*l.* Cromwell lent him and begs the obligation may be sent to the King's treasurer to be cancelled. Dublin, 27 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. erroneously:* "Sir Edward Don, k."

[27 Sept.] **442.** WRIOTHESLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 51. This Friday before noon, met with my lord of Winchester between Sittingbourn and Rochester. Describes his train, which was very gallant and their salutations. Told him the King was at Greenwich and that he himself was going into Flanders. Asked if he had not met with Mr. Brown. He said he had met him yesterday almost at Dover, and could not tell whether he had passed or no. Mr. Thirlby rode a little way back with me and I asked why he had tarried so long for my lord of Winchester. He said their letters were that they should return together and he could not have left him without unkindness. He would fain have had Gardiner make more haste, and for his own part he went so fast that all my Lord's train was angry with him. He said Gardiner did not seem to dislike the doing at Canterbury, and wished the like were done at Winchester. Asked what he thought of my Lord's disposition. He commended his wisdom and said he had often told him he would go as far as the King, but never further, not knowing for certain whether the King would approve it. My Lord had seen the new injunctions and appeared to approve them, especially the order to curates to advise their parishioners to learn their belief and other things in English. On this he said "Ha! I see the King will not yet leave this auricular confession. Methink I smell the King in this point." Mr. Thirlby also said he was a man of great forecast, and had often told him he had made it his study to answer men where he had been, for the King's estimation. He said also that Gardiner had heard, apparently from Mr. Brian, that I was a great expounder of his letters, which he took evil in me. My Lord would also say at times he would not be led into dangerous things by any man. The

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tragedy between him and the elect of Hereford was very ill handled on [his] side, for at the first meeting my lord of Winchester called him fool. They expect to be at Court tomorrow. Had no more than a beck and a good morrow with Germain. Bekinsale is not come over. Hopes soon to return. Newnton,* this Friday about noon.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Sept. **443.** VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 53. Came to Brussels on the 26th Sept., where the queen of Hungary then held her Court. Was brought to her on Friday, 27th, and declared his charge. Her answer briefly was that whatever the French might report of the commission from the Emperor to her for the marriage of the King and the duchess of Milan, neither she nor the Emperor meant otherwise than that it should be set forth with all convenient speed. She said she had heard that the King seemed cold and went about to marry in France and other places, which made them not so much haste the matter, but she will again write to the Emperor for a speedy despatch there and thinks that ambassadors should be appointed for a final determination. She promised a fuller answer before her departure from hence on 1st Oct. for Compiegne. Thought good to intimate this by the bearer, Mr. Palmer. Speaks of his expenses in following the Court. Brussels, 27 Sept.

Mr. Hutton is so far in debt that if I send you his horses his creditors here will think we intend to run away with all. His horses and raiment altogether are not worth 200*l.* and he owes 400*l.* to Dutchmen. What he owes, besides, to Englishmen Mr. Wriothesley can inform you.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Sept. **444.** BISHOP GARDINER.

Vesp. C. XIV. 18. The account of the bishop of Winchester, for this his last voyage into France, ending the 28th of September 30 Hen. VIII.

B. M. Accounting his diets to begin 1 Oct. 27 Hen. VIII. and to end 28 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., 1,094 days at 56*s.* 4*d.* a day, they amount to 2,917*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, of which Peter Larke has received of Master Gostwycke, by the hand of Rob. Lorde, 2,141*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and there remains due 776*l.*

ii. Sums which the bp. of Winchester has to receive of the King, viz., for his diets, 776*l.*; for post money from 23 June 29 Hen. VIII. to 31 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., 157*l.*; for Assher, 700*l.*; of the 2,000*l.* lent him by the King, 500*l.* Total, 2,133*l.*

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

28 Sept. **445.** The RIVER THAMES.

R. O. "An Act of Common Council concerning the preservation and cleansing of the river of Thames," 28 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., giving licence to all persons to dig gravel or sand in the Thames. Grates are to be put where watercourses enter the river.

Printed by Isaac Jaggard.

R. O. 2. A reprint of the same by Robert Young, dated 1637.

28 Sept. **446.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. This day I received your letter of Mr. John Graynefylde concerning Mr. James Bassett, whom I shall see furnished in all things. As for his prebend, as the half year is now past I will defer it till Mr. Popley's coming or else he might lose the half year's rent, which is better saved towards his

* Newington, near Milton, in Kent.

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446. JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE—*cont.*

installation and other charges. The bishop of Winchester came this night. Tomorrow I will see Mr. James, who is meeter to serve the temporal powers than the spiritual dignities. I have been in hand with Mr. Myms for the draught of your patent for the annuity; wherein I would first know your full mind. I trust the liveries, bibles, and hosen are come in safety. I would be glad to have answer to my former letters. By Warley or Worthe you shall know my lord of Canterbury's mind. I have not attempted my Lord further in your suit for the Friars: there is no doubt you shall have it. This day the Council were with my lord Privy Seal, as my lord Chancellor, my lord of Canterbury, the bp. of Durham, and others. My lords of Norfolk and Sussex are at Court. There has been ill news here of your Lordship: I would I could come by their author. London, 28 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

28 Sept. R. O. **447.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

This day Mrs. Rolles sent me the letters brought by Mr. Degory's servant, which I have yet not thoroughly seen. I will return them to you in three days with my advice. Mr. Ric. Pollard came home, remained one night, and is returned to Reading about like business he had in hand before. I have today got both your letters made, and I trust they will be signed tomorrow and despatched. Mr. John Graynfeld says he has sent his man to my lady of Sussex, and these letters once despatched I will ride thither. Mrs. Anne is merry. I have heard from her this day. I trust the liveries have arrived in Calais safely. I have bought a bushel of barberries, which I will send you next week by Robt. Johnson, by whom also Mrs. Whalley, now Mrs. Karket, will send you a little barrel of quinces. I have not forgotten your seat and saddletree, nor yet the travers. There has been an ill report in this city that my Lord was dead. It was not his friend that brought those news. London, 28 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Sealed.*

[29 Sept.] R. O. **448.** ROBERT CONSTABLE and DOROTHY GASCOYNE.

Memorandum of an order made by Sir Thos. Cromwell lord Cromwell, and keeper of the Privy Seal, John Baker, Attorney-general, Sir John Daunce, Ric. Pollard, King's Rembrancer, and Thos. Moyle, the King's general surveyors (under a warrant dated Westm., 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., authorising them to allow jointures, fees, &c., granted by persons attainted) confirming an indenture (detailed) dated 10 Aug. 24 Hen. VIII., between Sir Wm. Gascoyne, senior, on the one part, and Sir Robt. Constable, lately attainted, and Sir Marm. Constable, his son, on the other part, for a marriage between Dorothy, daughter to Sir William Gascoigne, and Robt. son and heir apparent to Sir Marmaduke Constable: Sir Wm. Gascoyne to have the wardship of the lands in jointure and the issues from Mich. 30 Hen. VIII. till the "said Sir Robert Constable" shall be 16 years of age.

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29 Sept. R. O. Rymer, XIV. 604. **449.** ALVINGHAM or AFFINGHAM PRIORY.

Surrender (by Robt. bp. of Llandaff, commendatory master of the Order of Sempyngham, and Robt., prior of Alvyngham, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Linc., Notts, and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 29 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Robt. Dugylbe, prior, *and seven others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 7.]

Stained. Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *no.* 43] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, LL.D.

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29 Sept. **450.** The Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses of Cambridge to Cromwell.

Faustina, C. III. 466. B. M.

Cooper's Annals of Cambridge, I. 384.

Complain that the Vice-Chancellor of the University insists on the new mayor taking the oath at his hand this Michaelmas Day, which they understood he was no longer to be constrained to do. Have respited the matter till they know Cromwell and my lord of Norfolk's pleasure. Cambridge, Michaelmas Day.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Anno. xxx°.

451. University of Cambridge to Cromwell.

R. O.

Complains to his Lordship, as their head, that the townsmen daily infringe the composition made between them under pain of 500 marks. Desire that all actions wherein a scholar is a party may be heard before the Vice-Chancellor according to their charter; that the University may continue to have the view and correction of victual and victuallers, weights and measures, forstallers, and regraters, in the town and at Sturbridge fair, according to the King's charter; and that the mayor, who this year past refused to take the oath, may from henceforth do so, as the King's charter binds him.

P. 1. *Endd.*

29 Sept. **452.** Wriothesley to Cromwell.

R. O.

Arrived here at Calais yesternight very ill from hasty riding to Dover and travail of the passage; but is now recovered, and hopes to rest this night at Dunkirk. At Calais found letters to him from Mr. Vaughan touching Mr. Hutton's matters. Encloses them. Intends to prove what the Merchants Adventurers will do towards discharge of the debts, and Cromwell should speak therein to my lord Mayor, Sir John Gresham, and Mr. Kitson: they should be paid, if only for the King's honour. Found also here letters to Cromwell and himself from my Lord elect of Hereford, and opened them hoping to learn something about this interview; but the first part of Cromwell's letters, and the whole of his own, touch only private matters, and the *post scripta* make him none the wiser. Forwards them with two to his Lordship (of Hereford) from friends about Hereford. The Deputy has made him great entertainment, taking him to his own house "in manner perforce" from Mr. Loveday's, where he first rested. As all here were persuaded the writer was dead, many were glad to see him alive. Recommends his friend Mr. Parys, who owes somewhat to my lord of Winchester, who percase will be hasty with him unless by Cromwell's intercession he may have reasonable days for payment. Calais, Sunday, 29 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Sept. **453.** Windsor Castle Accounts.

R. O. A.D. 1535–6.

Accounts of Henry marquis of Exeter, Constable of Windsor Castle (who holds the office by patent 10 April 16 Hen. VIII., wherein he is designated earl of Devon), and of Geo. Woodward, appointed attorney of the said Constable by patent 28 Oct. 1 Hen. VIII., viz., from Mich. 27 to Mich. 28 Hen. VIII. [A.D. 1535–6].

i. Charge:—

Arrears, including sums due from lord Sandes, Walter Stonar, John Eyre, heir of Thos. Eyre, Sir Will. Fitzwilliam and Sir Ant. Browne, Sir John Wallopp, and queen Anne [Boleyn], 74*l.* 6*s.* 11½*d.*

Receipts.—Rents of 79*l.* 5*s.* 1½*q.* received from divers persons for the Castleward according to the rental book of Thomas Hobbes, clerk of the provost* of Eaton, with 20*s.*

* Roger Lupton is named as the provost in § 2 and § 3.

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a year of divers rents that could not be levied, overcharged in preceding accounts; 66*s.* 10*d.* of the issues of the herbage of the forest called *lost silver*, with 20*s.* 6*d.* overcharged in preceding accounts; 8*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* of rents of assize and purpresture, with 20*s.* 9*d.* overcharged in previous accounts; 17*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.* of rents of assize and others of the farm of Old Windsor, with 41*s.* overcharged that cannot be levied; 13*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* rents and farms in New Windsor and Shaw, with 38*s.* 6½*d.* overcharged in the preceding account; 16*l.* 5*s.* 10¼*d.* rents of assize in Eaton, with 79*s.* 9¾*d.* overcharged in previous accounts; 25*l.* 12*s.* 10¼*d.* rents in Foly John, with 6*l.* 6*s.* [8*d.*]* that cannot be levied, overcharged in preceding accounts; 100*s.* farm of the agistment of the great park of Windsor; 49*l.* 18*s.* 4½*d.* rents in Dachett, with 16*s.* 8*d.* rent of 10 acres of meadow reserved for support of the deer in Ditton park, and with 10*s.* charged for 6 acres granted by Henry VII. to divers persons in exchange for lands enclosed in Ditton park; 11*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* rents in Ditton; and 2*d.* rent of a toft of waste in Dachett dimised to Ric. Nenny and Joan his wife, and John Pound by copy of court roll. Total, 231*l.* 11*s.* 0½*d.*

Perquisites of courts, viz., 18*s.* of the court held at Dachet, and 18*d.* of that held at the outer gate of Windsor Castle. Total, 19*s.* 6*d.*

Also a rent of 66*s.* 8*d.* from the abbot and convent of Abyngton for Windsor Castleward, being an instalment of a sum of 30*l.* which fell due within the period of this account. Total charge, 310*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*

ii. Outgoings:—

(1.) *Redditus resoluti*, viz., to the vicar of Old Windsor for small tithes and Wychmore enclosed within Windsor park, 20*s.*; to the dean and convent of Salisbury Cathedral for tithes of the forest, 26*s.*; to the heirs of John Siffrewast domino (*sic*) Cleuar, for rent of a certain place within the precinct of the castle there, 12*s.*; to the abbot and convent of Reading for lands enclosed under the castle from the park of Ludcroft, 7*s.* 5*d.*; to Alex. Newton for five acres of land under the castle enclosed in the said park, 11*s.*; to the abbess and convent of Burnham for lands in Eaton which belonged to Oliver Burden, 4*s.* 4*d.* Total, 4*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*

(2.) Allowances of rents which cannot be levied, because part of the lands are enclosed in the King's parks and they know not where to distrain in the remainder, as appears by oath of the accountants and examination thereupon made by the said commissioners, and also by process in like case had in the Exchequer, viz.:—20*s.* a year under the head of "Castleward"; 20*s.* 6*d.* under "herbage of the forest"; 20*s.* 9*d.* "rents of assize"; 41*s.* rent in Old Windsor; 38*s.* 6½*d.* rent in New Windsor and Shaw; 79*s.* 9¾*d.* rent of Eaton; 6*l.* 6*s.* 6½*d.*† rent of Foly John, as in preceding accounts. In all, 17*l.* 7*s.* 2¾*d.* Also 10*s.* rent of six acres of meadow above under the heading "rents in Dachet," because they are given to others in exchange for lands enclosed in Ditton park, viz., three acres thereof [leased] to the chaplain of Ditton for 5*s.* a year, two acres to John South at 3*s.* 4*d.*, and one acre to Thos. Hyll at 20*d.* a year, as shown in previous accounts. Also 16*s.* 8*d.* a year for 10 acres of meadow in "rents of Dachet" above, because they are reserved for the support of deer at Ditton. Also 10*s.* a year rent under head of "Castleward" issuing from the manor of Stene, Norf., because Henry VII. granted it to Sir Reginald Bray in fee simple at the rent of a red rose. Also 10*l.* charged under the head "Dachet" for the farm of the ferry over the Thames at Dachet, because the keeping of the ferry and all its emoluments were granted rent-free by patent 22 Nov. 7 Hen. VIII. to Chr. Rochester and Rokes in survivorship. Total, 29*l.* 3*s.* 10¾*d.*

(3.) Fees and Wages.—Henry marquis of Exeter, Constable of Windsor Castle and warden of the forests, 30*l.*, by patent as above. Sir Will. Sandes, keeper of Esthampsted park, at 3*d.* a day, by patent 25 Oct. 24 Hen. VII., 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Thos. Ward, keeper of the keys of the upper house of the Castle bailiwick, at 4*d.* a day, by patent 4 June

* Mutilated; supplied from § 2 and § 3.

† This item, which is omitted by mistake in § 2, ought to have been 6*l.* 6*s.* 7½*d.*, as appears by § 3; otherwise the total would be inaccurate.

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17 Hen. VIII., 6*l.* 20*d.* The same Thos. Ward, as Controller of Works in Windsor Castle, and of all the manors, parks, and places in the forest, at 6*d.*, by patent 27 April 18 Hen. VIII., 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Sir Will. Fitzwilliam and Sir Ant. Browne, keepers of Windsor park in survivorship, at 8*d.* a day, by patent 9 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII., 12*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Sir Ric. Weston, keeper of Sonynghyll park and riding forester of Windsor forest, at 7*d.* a day, by patent 14 March 19 Hen. VII., 10*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* Thos. Ward, outer gatekeeper of the gate of Windsor Castle, at 3*d.* a day, by patent 17 June 7 Hen. VIII., 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Geo. Woodward, collector of rents of assize and purpresture of the castle, at 3*d.* a day, 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Rob. Litell, keeper of the leads in Windsor Castle, at 2*d.* a day, by patent 25 July 14 Hen. VIII. 60*s.* [10*d.*] Geo. Woodward, clerk or clerk constable of the said castle, at 6*d.* a day, by patent 28 Oct. 1 Hen. VIII., 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Sir Ric. Weston, keeper of Cramborne Chase, at 1*d.* a day, by patent 5 June 20 Hen. VIII., 30*s.* 5*d.* Geo. Woodward, bailiff of Dachett, at 26*s.* 8*d.* a year, 26*s.* 8*d.* The same, as bailiff and collector of rents of assize of Old Windsor, at 7*s.* a year, 7*s.* Will. Chalfunt, steward of the court of Dachett, at 13*s.* 4*d.* a year, 13*s.* 4*d.* Edmund Plasden, Thos. Marten, and John Potterton, occupying the office called "Knockepynnes de palac' parcorum" at the said castle, at 1*d.* a day among them, 30*s.* 5*d.* Henry Norres, esquire for the Body, keeper of Windsor Little Park, at 4*d.* a day, by patent 3 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII., for half a year, 60*s.* 10*d.* John Norres, one of the gentlemen ushers of the Chamber, at 4*d.* a day, to whom the keepership of Foly John park was granted by patent 14 June 28 Hen. VIII., with a retrospective grant of 4*d.* a day from Mich. 27 Hen. VIII., 6*l.* 20*d.* Rob. Turwhytt, esquire for the Body, at 3*d.* a day, to whom was granted by patent 18 July 28 Hen. VIII. the keepership of the lordship or manor of Ditton, Bucks, and of the park there from Easter 27 Hen. VIII. for half a year, 45*s.* 7½*d.* John Mynne, auditor of the castle for the determination and writing of this account, 66*s.* 8*d.* (annual fee). Chr. Dickenson, master mason (*cementarius*) of the works of the castle at 6*d.* [a day] by patent 7 (27) Aug. 20 Hen. VIII., 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* Sir Ric. Weston, keeper of the new lodge in Cramborn Chace, at 4*d.* a day, by patent 26 Jan. 9 Hen. VIII., 6*l.* 20*d.* Total, 129*l.* 4*s.* 3½*d.*

(4.) Necessary expenses.—For meat and drink to gentlemen and others, and other expenses in taking bucks and does for the abbot and convent of Westminster about the eve of St. Peter ad Vincula, 6*l.* Expenses of steward of Dachett, 6*s.* 8*d.* To Thos. Avelyn for 10 cartloads of thorns and their carriage to the meadow in the park under the castle to shut out deer in summer time, that hay may be made for the support of the deer in winter, 11*s.* 8*d.* For the mowing and making of hay, &c., in ten acres of meadow set apart for the support of the deer, 60*s.* For the like in a piece of meadow in the Flett, and carriage of the hay to Ditton Park for support of the deer, 14*s.* For the making of talwood and fagots beyond the old allowance delivered to the Wardrobe by warrant of 8 Aug. 1 Hen. VIII., 7*s.* For making and carriage of fuel for officers of the castle, viz., 10 cart loads of "longwood" for the clerk of the castle, and 300 "talwood" for the Wardrobe, 18*s.* 3*d.* Total, 11*l.* 18*s.*

(5.) Repairs, viz., in the office of controller, on the lodges called Edmondes loge Lames loge, the Mote park, in Esthamstede park, Sonynghyll park, Foly John park, Ditton park, and the old lodge in Cramborne Chace, with expenses of a *clericus computans* for 84 days at 18*d.* a day. Total, 73*l.* 17*s.* 3¼*d.*

Sum of allowances and payments, 248*l.* 4*s.* 2½*d.* Due by accountant, 61*l.* 19*s.* 11½*d.* "Contra quos, super——."

Will. lord Sandes, of an annual rent of 8*s.* from a tenement in Old Windsor in arrear for this year and 27 years preceding, as there was nothing to distrain upon, 11*l.* 4*s.* Walter Stoner, of Werrerdsbury, Bucks, of an annual rent of 17*s.* from a piece of land called the Well in the lordship of Dachet, in arrear for this years and 27 years preceding for same reason, 23*l.* 16*s.* John, son and heir of Thos. Eyre, of Fernham, Bucks, of a yearly rent of 3*s.* 4*d.* from a tenement in the lordship of Eaton for four years ending Mich. 4 Hen. VIII., because there was nothing to distrain upon, 13*s.* 4*d.* Sir Will. Fitzwilliam and Sir Anth. Browne, retained by them for their fees as keepers of Windsor Park at 8*d.* a day from 30 June 20 Hen. VIII., when the fees ceased to be paid to Sir Will. Compton, and were to be payable to them by patent 9 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII.; which

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patent, however, the general surveyors consider insufficient, 6*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* Sir John Wallopp for monies received of the accountant for his fee as keeper of Ditton park, at 3*d.* a day from the 10 June 20 Hen. VIII., when Will. Cary died, till Mich. 22 Hen. VIII., viz., 2 years and 110 days, as the general surveyors consider his patent insufficient, 10*l.* 10*s.* Queen Anne (attainted of high treason) for monies received by her of accountants for the fee of the keeper of Ditton park, at 3*d.* a day granted to her as marchioness of Pembroke by patent, for half a year within the term of this account, and for five years preceding for defect of the said patent, 25*l.* 22½*d.* Thos. Henage, esquire for the Body, as keeper of the Little park under Windsor Castle, 4*d.* a day, from Easter 27 Hen. VIII., viz., for half a year, owing to defect of his patent, 60*s.* 10*d.*

The accountant is therefore "in superplus" 18*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.*

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R. O. A.D. 1536–7.

2. Similar account from Mich. 28 to Mich. 29 Hen. VIII. [A.D. 1536–7] by the marquis of Exeter and Ric. Woodward, clerk of the castle, who is attorney to the Marquis as constable by patent 31 Oct. 23 Hen. VIII., granting the office to George Woodward and the said Richard in survivorship.

i. Charge :—

Arrears as shown at foot of last account, 80*l.* 14*s.* 8½*d.*

Receipts identical with those in § 1, barring a few errors.

Perquisites of courts, 23*s.* 8*d.* at Datchet with a 6*s.* 8*d.* fine; 18*d.* at the outer gate of Windsor Castle.

Total charge, 313*l.* 10*s.* 11½*d.*

ii. Outgoings :—

(1.) *Redditus resoluti* precisely as in § 1.

(2.) Allowances of rents which cannot be levied, precisely as in § 1, except some errors.

(3.) Fees and wages as in § 1, with the omission of Hen. Norris' fee, and with a full year's wage to Rob. Turwhytt, viz., 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Total. 108*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.* (should be 128*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.*).

(4.) Necessary expenses of the same character as in § 1. Total, 10*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.*

(5.) Repairs.—Total, 91*l.* 6*s.* 2½*d.*

Sum of allowances and payments, 243*l.* 13*s.* 9¼*d.* Due by accountant, 69*l.* 17*s.* 2¼*d.*, of which 18*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.* are allowed for the *superplusagium* of the last account, leaving still due 51*l.* 2*s.* 5¼*d.* "Contra quos, super——." (The particulars in the "super" are the same as in § 1, with another year's liabilities added in the case of Sandes, 11*l.* 12*s.*, Stonar, 24*l.* 13*s.*, and Hennage, 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*) The accountants are again "in superplus," 36*l.* 5*s.* 7¼*d.*

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R. O. A.D. 1537–8.

3. Similar account by Ric. Woodward, clerk of the castle from Mich. 29 to Mich. 30 Hen. VIII. [A.D. 1537–8].

i. Charge :—

Arrears as shown at foot of last account, 87*l.* 8*s.* 0½*d.*

Receipts as before.

Perquisites of courts, 18*s.* 6*d.* at Dachett, 18*d.* at the outer gate of Windsor Castle.

Total charge, 319*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.*

ii. Outgoings :—

(1.) *Redditus resoluti* as before.

(2.) Allowances of rents, as before, with these further items :—30*l.* [Castle ward paid by the late abbot of Abbyngton (out of the above sum of 79*l.* 5*s.* 0*d.* 1½*q.*), because the revenues of the monastery now go to the Court of Augmentations; also 22*s.* out of the above sum paid by the late abbot towards the watch; 10*s.* rents in Old Windsor belonging to the dissolved

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priory of Ankerwyk, Bucks. Also rents of 2 acres in Le Ham and 1 acre in Burghfeld, in the lordship of Old Windsor, late of Simon Walton, at 2*s.* 9¾*d.*, and of a tenement called Waltons Place at 13*s.* 9½*d.*, of two crofts called Chaundelers Croft and Townereryd at 3*s.* ½*d.* 1½*q.*; of an acre late of John Frauncys at 3*d.* a year; of 1 acre called Brytes Acre, late of Simon Walton, at 3*d.* a year charged in the sum of 17*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.* 1½*q.*, which rents (amounting in all to 20*s.* 2*d.* ½*q.* *sic*) are extinguished because the King has purchased the lands of Thos. Gybbons. Total, 61*l.* 16*s.* ¾*d.* ½*q.*

(3.) Fees and wages, as before, with these differences:—The marquis of Exeter's name is omitted. Thos. Ward has only half year's fees as he died within the year, and John Norres, who succeeds him as controller by patent 5 Feb. 27 Hen. VIII., has 33*s.* 6*d.* paid him. Fitzwilliam is named by his title earl of Southampton. Ric. Ward, who succeeds Thos. Ward as gatekeeper by patent 21 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., has 16*s.* 9*d.* for his wages from 23 July last, when Thos. Ward died. Ric. Woodward fills the same offices as George Woodward in § 1. Total, 92*l.* 3*s.* 11½*d.*

(4.) Necessary expenses, 11*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*

(5.) Repairs, 46*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.*

Sum of allowances and payments, 216*l.* 2*d.* 1½*q.* (*sic*). Due by accountant, 103*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* ½*q.*, of which 36*l.* 5*s.* 7¼*d.* is allowed him for the "*superplus*" of last account. So his further debt is 67*l.* 13*s.* 3¼*d.* ¼*q.* Against which is a "super" as before, including a new item of 10*l.* received by Sir Ric. Weston, as lieutenant of Windsor Castle, the validity of his patent being challenged. Accountant again in "superplus," 37*l.* 17¼*d.*

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29 Sept. R. O. **454.** THE MARQUIS OF EXETER'S LANDS.

Account of money due to the late lord Marquis from his lands for the year ending Michaelmas 30 Hen. VIII., with fees, expenses, &c.

Receipts from Boconnoke la[nds] in Cornwall, Devon, and Somerset, from lands in Somerset had of the earl of Northumberland, from West Horsley and the inheritance of my lady Marquis, from the earldom of Devonshire, from the late priory of Brymmor, from lands in Devon and Cornwall called Idesleigh, C[harlton],* Langdon, and Trevisquyte, which the "late Marquis had of Sir . . . . . knight, over and besides the Re . . . . . e which be paid unto the lord Lisley during his life," from lands purchased in Teverton (money still in hands of John Cas[tellacke]† bailiff), and from lands purchased of Wm. Hyll in Cullyton and Welmeton, Devon (a woman has the lands in jointure for life). Total receipt, 2,998*l.* 19*s.* 4¾*d.*

Payments specified to Ant. Ha . . . . . ., Thos. Sporwey, Robt. Goodwyn (for repairs in Warder Park, Wilts, which the Marquis leased for 40 years from Sir Ant. Willoughby), Wm. Pury and Ric. Gyfford; one is for money paid from Westhorsley, Ookhame, and Effingham to David Hensley, clerk of the kitchen, and another refers to indentures between the Marquis and Mrs. Audelett touching Sutton Courtney. Total, 1,468*l.* 3*s.* 10½*d.*

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29 Sept. R. O. **455.** THE COUNTESS OF SALISBURY'S LANDS.

Account of Oliver Frankelyn, general receiver to Margaret countess of Salisbury, of the lands, &c. of the said Countess for the year ending Mich. 30 Henry VIII.

Sums received ftom bailiffs and stewards (named) of lands in various counties. Total, 2,311*l.*, 21*d.* "ob. di. q^{a} iiij^{ta} pars q^{a}" (*i.e.*, 1 1/6*d.*).

Fees and wages (detailed), 72*l.* 10*d.* Necessary expenses among which is board (*commensale*) of Margaret daughter of the earl of Stafford, being in London for a certain time this year. Household, 237*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* Money delivered to the Countess, Robt. Crosse, and Wm. Cholmeley, &c.

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* *See* Vol. V. No. 897.

† The full name appears in a list of the Marquis's servants, which will be found noted among the November documents.

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456. LANDS OF DARCY AND BIGOD.

R. O. i. Account by Tristram Teshe, King's receiver, of the lands of the late lord Darcy, attainted; for two years ending Mich. 29 and 30 Henry VIII. Lordship of Templehurst, John Kynge, bailiff; Temple Newsom, Thos. Kewe, bailiff; Rothwell Haye, Edm. Parker, bailiff: Roundhay, Sylkeston and Beckhay, Thos. Wedderil, steward.

ii. Similar account of the lands of Sir Francis Bygod, attainted. Swadall (Ralph Meatcalf [steward ?]) and Newmalton.

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29 Sept. **457.** AUGMENTATION ACCOUNTS.

R. O. Account of Thomas Pope, esquire, treasurer of the Court of Augmentations, by virtue of letters patent under the seal of that court, 24 April 28 Hen. VIII., both of receipts and payments, from the said 24 April until Michaelmas 30 Hen. VIII., as follows:—

1. Charge, viz.:—

m. 1. i. Arrears:—None, because this is the first account since the establishment of the office.

ii. Receipts:—

(1.) From receivers, for receipts from religious houses suppressed and surrendered, viz.:—Geoff. Chambre, receiver general, and 17 particular receivers named, the several auditors who passed each account being also named. John Skudamore (for Heref., &c.) gives also a list (of names and amounts) of obligatious entered into for monastic goods sold; Thos. Spylman (for Midd., &c.) put in an obligation for 40*l.* of Geo. Fyster, and other parishioners of —— (*blank*) beside Cripplegate for the church of Elsingspittle, sold to them. Total, 27,732*l.* 2*s.* 9⅔*d.*

m. 2*d.* (2.) Jewels, plate, ornaments of shrines and relics, &c., delivered by the above named particular receivers. The total values and weights are given under the names of the several receivers who seem in some cases to have also

m. 3. sold the goods. Particular items noticed are:—Two mitres belonging to Abingdon, 8*l.*; three pontifical rings of gold set with stones, a cross of silver gilt with a piece of gold fixed in it and a piece of the Holy Cross, called "an esse" within the said piece of gold, which belonged to Abingdon, delivered to Sir Ric. Longe for the King, 10*l.*; a suit of vestments of cloth of gold with branches of blue velvet, which belonged to Rewley, and three altar cloths of cloth of gold and six yards of old cloth of gold which belonged to Abingdon, delivered to Anth. Denney for the King, 20*l.*; a relic said to be a piece of the Holy Cross adorned with silver gilt, which belonged to Stratford, Essex, delivered to the lord Cromwell on the King's warrant; 19½ oz. of pure gold for adorning an altar (*ad ornand. altare*) which belonged to Kirkeby Bellers and a gold chalice of 16½ oz. which belonged to Studley

m. 3*d.* delivered to Sir John Williams for the King, 75*l.* 18*s.*; a suit of vestments of cloth of silver with "flowredeluces" and angels worked in it which belonged to Canons Ashby, delivered to Thos. Typladye, of London, broderer, in payment of a debt of the said priory, 30*l.*; a suit of vestments of purple velvet with three capes and a "riche orphyn" thereto pertaining, also another of crimson velvet, which belonged to Ulston, and other vestments (not specified) sold to Wm. Robynson, of London, broderer, 106*s.* 8*d.*; a parcel of 20*l.* due from Jas. Colyer for the surplus value of a shrine of silver gilt mortgaged to him by the prior of Stone, part of which was paid 5 June 30 Hen. VIII., 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; a cape of crimson velvet upon velvet adorned with cloth of gold and a pall of crimson bawdekin, belonging to Monmouth, a vestment of cloth of gold with branches of velvet and an "albe" and an "amyas" pertaining thereto, belonging to Aconbery, accounted for elsewhere;

m. 4. a cross of gold with 14 stones set in it, weighing 4 oz., belonging to Coverham, delivered to Sir John Williams on the King's warrant, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; a vestment or "albe" of cloth of gold and red velvet which belonged to

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St. Agatha's, a suit of vestments of cloth of gold "raysed" with red velvet, which belonged to Coverham, delivered to Anth. Dennye, on the King's warrant, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; a suit of copes and vestments of red silk adorned with archers (*sagittar'*), two tunicles and a cope adorned with kings and bishops, a vestment with albes, and a cape of crimson velvet upon velvet adorned with "strykes" of gold, which belonged to St. Agatha's, and a suit of vestments of purple velvet embroidered with "flowredeluces" and bells, which belonged
m. 4*d.* to Coverham, accounted for elsewhere. Total of church ornaments sold, 6,987*l.* 8*s.* 11⅛*d.*

(3.) Fines for the toleration and continuance of monasteries (counties given in all cases), as follows :—

Byndon, 300*l.*; St. James', Northampton, 333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; De la Pray, 266*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Winchester nunnery, 333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Huntingdon, 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Bytlesden, 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Shapp, 266*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Charterhouse super Hull, Yorks., 233*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Kyme, 200*l.*; Stixwold, 21*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Wollescrofte, 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Powslowe, 400*l.*; Canonsleigh, 200*l.*; Newsted, Notts, 233*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Bewald, Notts, 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Wallingwells, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Nethe, 150*l.*; Alba Landa, in Wales, 400*l.*; Stratflere, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; St. Mary's, Chester, 160*l.*; Dale, 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Repyngton, 266*l.* 13*s.* 4d.; Wormesley, 200*l.*; Lymbroke, 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Alnwick, 200*l.*; Laycock, 300*l.*; St. Thomas' beside Stafford, 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Croxden, 100*l.*; Roccetter, Staff., 100*l.*; Hylton, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Brusyarde, 60*l.*; St. Anne's beside Coventry, 20*l.*; and Pollesworthe, 50*l.* Total, 5,948*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The remainder of the said fines still unpaid is not accounted for because the monasteries aforesaid, all, before the end of the account, have been surrendered to the King, who has therefore remitted the further payment of the fines.

m. 5. (4.) Receipts from sale of lands (*the parcels of land briefly indicated, with the former owners and the price*) to :—

Thos. Hatcliff,* Wm. Butt, M.D. to the King, Ant. Cope, Sir Edw. Baynton, Sir John Spylman, justice, John Onley,* Sir Edm. Bedyngfeld, Sir Ric. Riche, Wm. Smythe, Ric. Barthelett, M.D., Sir Fras. Bryan, Thos.
m. 5*d.* Myldemaye, Giles Legh,* Ric. Crumwell, Sir John Markehame, Sir John Nevell lord Latimer, Robt. Turwytt, Thos. Newell of Holte *super Montem*, Leic., John Gostwycke, George Owen, Jas. Crewes, Jas. Nedehame, Thos. Adyngton of London, skinner, Sir Edw. Bray, John Worthe, Sir John Sentlowe, Thos. Megges, Sir Thos. Hennege, Robt. Acton, Sir Wm. Turwitt,
m. 6. Corpus Christi College in Oxford,* Fras. Dawtrye, Wm. Boolles, Sir John Gresshame, Thos. Weldon, Sir Marm. Constable, Jas. Colyer, of Stone, Staff., Dr. Thos. Leghe, Sir John Shelton, Sir Nich. Styrley, John Wyseman,
m. 6*d.* Ric. Lee, Edward lord Clynton, Sir Robt. Dormer; Ric. Raynoldes, mercer, of London, and Robt. Derkenall; Robt. Drewry, John Hynde, King's serjeant at law, John Haryngton of Exton, Rutl., Fras. Leke, Thos.
m. 7. Gyfforde, Sir Wm. Sydney,* Wm. Butt, M.D., Charles duke of Suffolk, Thos. Edon, of London, Roger More, Wm. Berners, Sir Thos. Nevell, John White, Wm. Cowper, Thos. Myldemaye, Ric. Fulmerston, Sir Humph. Foster, Sir Giles Capell, Robt. Harye, of London, fishmonger, Thos. Gyttons, of
m. 7*d.* London, vintner, Nich. Hare, Ric. Manners, Wm. Tayler, of London, haberdasher, Ric. Highame.

Total, 29,847*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.*

m. 8*d.* (5.) Fines paid for leases. Particulars briefly indicated. Total, 1,006*l.* 17*s.*

(6.) Foreign receipts, viz., 25*l.* from a wood sale made by Rufford Abbey and 69*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* from Wm. Cavendyshe, late commissioner, with others, for the dissolution of Marryvall, Dullakers, St. Thomas' Stafford, Dale, Ryppyngton, Pypwell, Gracedieu, and Barnewell, for household implements sold.

* In these cases lands briefly indicated are given in exchange.

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Total receipts, 71,616*l.* 16*s.* 1½*d.* From which—

II. Discharge.

(1.) Fees:—To Sir Ric. Riche, chancellor, Thos. Pope, treasurer, John
m. 9. Onley, attorney (until 20 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., when he died), Robt. Southwell, attorney (from 23 Nov., a° 29°), the same Robt. Southwell, solicitor (till 23 Nov., a° 29°), Walt. Hendley, solicitor (from 23 Nov., a° 29°), Thomas duke of Norfolk, chief steward of suppressed lands on this side Trent, and Nich. Hare his deputy, Thomas lord Crumwell, chief steward beyond Trent, and Henry Polsted his deputy, Ric. Duk, clerk of the Court, Walt. Ferror,
m. 9*d.* keeper of the evidences (from Mich. a° 29°), Walter Skynner, messenger, John Johnson, usher, Wm. Cowper, general surveyor of woods, Chr. Hales, Master of the Rolls, retained of counsel in divers causes at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a year; John Hynde, King's serjeant at law, likewise retained; Wm. Grene, one of the particular receivers in Cumberland, Northumberland, and Westmoreland, at 20*l.* a year for life, for the half-year ended Mich. a° 29°, 10*l.*

Total, 1,675*l.* 14*s.*

(2.) Annuities:—To queen Jane, Eliz. Goldinge, widow, Edw. Byrmynghame and Eliz. his wife, Thomas lord Crumwell, several,* Sir Humph. Radclif (granted by the late earl of Northumberland), Hen. Dyngley, Wm. Clement, one of the King's master carpenters, and Chr. Dyggenson, master
m. 10. of the masons at Windsor Castle, Edm. Holgill, clk.,* and Ric. Browne.

Total, 261*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

(3.) Pensions to heads of the following late religious houses, mostly by virtue of letters patent. (The names of the persons are specified, and also the term up to which the pension has been paid):—Cleve (for the half-year ended Mich. a° 28°), Chesthunt, Valla Dei† (Henry Saxton, prior, quarter ended St. John's Day a° 28°), Tyltey (two years ended St. John's Day a° 28°), Chepstow, Canons Ashby, Valla Crucis, Haverfordwest, Newmynster (half-year and 39 days to Lady Day a° 29), Flaxleye, Stanley† (Thos. [Morley]‡ now suffragan of Marlebrige, half-year ended Mich. a° 29°), Norton, Kingswood, Bysshame Abbey, Tutbury, Battle, and Wroxton; paid for various terms ending Mich. a° 30°.

Total. 448*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*

m. 10*d.* (4.) Necessaries for the Court:—The making of a great seal and a privy seal, including purchase of silver and 12*d.* paid for red wax to show the impression of these seals before the King, 28*l.* 15*s.* A book called "a jury boke" with a silver crucifix upon it, 15*s.* Six cushions for the officers of the Court to sit upon, 27*s.* 4*d.* Also for wax, keys, bolts, tables, &c., and 15*s.* for the livery of the yeoman (*valectus*) of the Court. Total, 37*l.* 11*s.* 7*d.*

(5.) Necessaries for the treasurer's office:—Green cloth for "counting board cloths," the ceiling of the counting house, balances for weighing plate, iron safes, linen cloth, paper books, diets for the maintenance of the treasurer's table, diets of Wm. Berners and John Assheton, auditors, and rewards to two clerks. Total, 375*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

m. 11. (6.) Costs of Hen. Atkynson and Walt. Skynner, messengers of the Court, 58*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*

(7.) Lands (specified) purchased by the King from the following persons:—Thos. Gybbons, John Goldwell, Giles Leghe late of Walton-upon-Thames, Thos. Culpeper, Charles duke of Suffolk, Stephen Rock and others, John Carleton and others, Ric. Wake of Hartewall, Ntht., and others, —— (*blank*) Cope, Edw. Marlande, Robert earl of Sussex, Sir Ric. Ryche, Sir John Aleyn, Ric. Codyngton, Thos. Compton, Wm. Connysbye. Total, 5,702*l.* 23¾*d.*

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* These are annuities granted by religious houses, confirmed by the Court.

† No letters patent noticed in these cases.

‡ Surname left blank in MS.

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(8.) Payments out :—To Morgan Wolf, King's goldsmith, for plate delivered to the King's use, on the King's warrant of 10 Jan. a° 29°, 200*l.*

m. 11*d.* (9.) Necessary payments by warrant of the Court :—To Wm. Cooper, general surveyor of woods, for various surveys made ; redemption of letters patent by the archbishop of Canterbury, and others, granted to divers for custody of manors and parks now sold to the King ; ceiling and wainscotting the Court of Augmentations at Westminster, and the Council Chamber and Evidence House there ; making of chests, &c., and expenses in the purchase and exchange of lands and other business of the Court ; in all 1,416*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

(10.) Payments by decree of the Court :—To some abbots and priors for arrears of pensions. To divers persons for arrears of fees and annuities due from monasteries suppressed, viz.—Thomas lord Cromwell and Gregory his son, Sir Thos. Palmer, Sir Edw. Baynton, Sir Ric. Riche, Thos. Pope, treasurer, Edm. Harvy, Sir Humph. Ratcliff, and Eliz. Savage, widow of Wm. Brereton, attainted. To divers persons (named) for redemption of leases, &c. specified, and also for debts due to them from suppressed

m. 12. monasteries. To Thos. Typlady, broderer, as in the price of a suit of vestments of cloth of silver with "flowredeluces and angeles" worked in it, which belonged to Canons Ashby, delivered to him in satisfaction of a debt from the priory for the same and other church ornaments previously bought of him, 30*l.* Total, 2,725*l.* 6*s.* 8½*d.*

(11.) Deliveries out : To Sir John Williams, Ant. Denny, and Sir Ric. Longe ; articles specified as in § I. ii. (2). Total, 145*l.* 18*s.*

(12.) Prests made upon warrant :—To Robt. Southwell, costs for the survey of lands of the late monastery of Furness, and lands acquired from the late earl of Northumberland, 27 May, a° 29°, 940*l.* The same, for

m. 12*d.* purchase of lands at Knolle, Otford, and elsewhere in Kent, 11 Nov. and 2 Feb. a° 30°, 900*l.* Sir Anth. Browne, for paling, ditching, and quicksetting of the King's chase of Hampton Court, 23 Sept., 7 Nov., 17 Nov., 25 Dec., 25 Jan., and 15 April, a° 29°, 600*l.* John Tregunwell, LL.D., Wm. Petre, LL.D., and Philip Parys, to be employed in dissolving Abingdon monastery, 7 Feb. a° 29°, 600*l.* Baldwin Wylloughby and Robt. Kyrke for fees and victuals of the King's ships *Sweepstake* and *Lion*, 18 Nov. a° 28°, 106*l.* 9*s.* Anth. Denny, towards buildings and repairs at Westminster, Chelsea, Hackney, and St. James' in the Fields, and the building of the house of the Court of Augmentations, 11 Feb., 3 and 22 March, and 9 April, a° 28°, 2,662*l.* 1*d.* The same, for other the King's affairs, 5 Feb. a° 29°, 1,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Wm. Gonson, for the King's affairs, 15 March a° 28°, 16 July and 23 March, a° 29°, 1,066*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* Ric. Cotton, cofferer of the household of the lord Prince, for expenses of that household, 2, 7, and 29 Sept., 14 Oct., 4 and 28 Nov., 16, 22, and 27 Feb., 9 March, and 18 April, a° 29°, and 5 and 25 May, 6 July, 16 and 25 Sept.,

m. 13. 18 and 28 Nov., and 16 Dec. a° 30°, 5,000*l.* Ric. Wake, for enlarging the park of Hartwell, and paling, quicksetting, and dikeing, and making, "lez stondynges" there, 8 March, a° 29°, 210*l.* Henry Huttoft, towards the new making of a certain ship for the King, 8 March, a° 29°, 1,000*l.* Jas. Nedeham, towards repair of Westminster Hall, 7 Sept. a° 30°, 1,000*l.* Sir Anth. Sentleger, towards the paling of the King's new park at Canterbury, 16 Feb. a° 30°, 100*l.* Total prests, 14,618*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.*

(13.) Money delivered to the King's coffers :—To John Gostwyke, treasurer of First Fruits and Tenths at various dates to Feb. a° 29°, with deliveries also "in precio" of plate and relics, 11,247*l.* 14*s.* 11¼*d.* To Sir Thos. Hennege, 22 Jan. a° 29°, 2,666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To Hennege and Anth. Dennye, 26 Feb. a° 30°, 6,666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

m. 13*d.* Total payments, 48,247*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* Leaving—

III. Balance, 23,369*l.* 7*l.* 3½*d.*, out of which the treasurer is exonerated :—60*s.* 10*d.* for the price of "a gospeller" ornamented with 15 oz. of silver gilt, as it was supposed, which being delivered to Sir Wm. Powlett,

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457. Augmentation Accounts—*cont.*

treasurer of the Household, to be used in the King's chapel, was found to be but of copper gilt and of little value. 15*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.* for lead, iron, paper, wax, and copper weighed among the plate above accounted for. 40*s.* 5*d.* for 10 oz. of silver gilt, an image of St. John which belonged to Abingdon being found to be so much less than the certified weight. 40*l.* reward to Berners and Assheton, auditors of this account. And arrears (specified) from purchasers of lands [*See* § I. ii. (4)], 56 items.

m. 16*d.* Leaving as total of arrears, 5,302*l.* 8½*d.* *Signed as examined by Sir Ric. Ryche, Sir Edw. Northe, N. Bacon, Wm. Berners, auditor, and Robt. Burgoyn, auditor.*

Parchment, 16 *large membranes.*

29 Sept. **458.** Church Plate.

R. O. Account of church plate and jewels received by Will. Bolles, one of the commissioners of suppressed lands in cos. Notts, Derby and Cheshire for the years 28, 29, and down to Mich. 30 Hen. VIII., and delivered to Thos. Pope, treasurer of the Augmentations.

A roll of two sheets of paper and a smaller one, written on both sides.

459. Dissolved Monasteries.

R. O. "Hereafter followeth such houses as hath been surveyed by me, John Freman, and standeth charged in mine account, not only the houses suppressed, but also certain houses lately resigned, and what values they have been of in money, plate, bells, lead, and yearly revenues, which hath and shall come to the King's use."

Plate, 2,000*l.* Ready money for stuff sold, with the revenues in Lincolnshire, 5,600*l.* Bells and lead, 8,277*l.* Yearly rents, 8,100*l.* or thereabouts. Increase, by my survey, on what was presented in the book of tenth, 800*l.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

29 Sept. **460.** St. Katharine's Lincoln and Axholme.

R. O. Views of bailiffs' accounts of the priories of St. Katharine's without Lincoln and of Axholme. Mich. 30 Hen. VIII. With additional memoranda, in some accounts, of the allowances for 31 & 32 Hen. VIII.

The accounts viewed are as follows:

i. Lands of St. Katharine's: 1. Of Robert Waryng, bailiff in Kesten Morelande, Lyndesey Morelande, Marshe, Hollande and Lowe Lyndesey. 2. Of Ric. Hunt, bailiff of the bailiwick of St. Katharine *cum membris.* 3. Of Will. Gedney, bailiff of Newark-upon-Trent.

ii. Lands of Axholme: 1. Of John Shyers, bailiff of Axiholme *cum membris.* 2. Of John Beaumond, farmer, of the rectory of Seylebye, or Silebye, with pensions, &c., farms due to it from Melton Mowbray, Leic., and the prior of Kyrkeby Bellers. 3. Of Thos. Porter, bailiff of Kyrkby Monachorum. 4. Of Nich. Saunderson, bailiff and farmer of the priory or cell of Marsh (?) in the parish of Tykell (*Marisci in parochia de T.*), late a cell of the abbey of Humberston, Linc.

A book of 81 *leaves in vellum cover. Several pages, here and there, are blank.*

29 Sept. **461.** St. Gregory's College, Sudbury.

Add. Ch. 26,693, B. M. *Compotus* of Ric Edon, warden and steward of the college of St. Gregory in Sudbury, by Dan Edm. Lyster, brother there, from Mich. 29 Hen. VIII. to Mich. 30 Hen. VIII.

Parchment roll of seven membranes.

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30 Sept. **462.** CASTILLON to CROMWELL.

Calig. E. IV., 3. B. M.

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. . . . . ant les juges royaulx dudict lieu . . . . . Londre, du nombre duquel les susdicts sire . . . . . [Je]han Champenay sont, lont comme il dict et quil a este adver[ty] . . . . . ville, et deffendu a tous hommes francz dicelle quilx nayent r . . . . . achapter de luy, et le veullent ainsi faire proclamer et publier . . . . . encores jusques icy na jamais este faicte. Et pource, Mons[eigneur], quil me semble que lauthorite du Roy y soit bien grevee pour celle q . . . . . ledict conseil susurpe; si estce que les subgects du Roy mon mai[stre sont] merveilleusement interessez et rudement traictez; attendu mesme . . . . . submectre a la justice du Roy. Parquoy je vous supplie quil vous plai[ra] . . . . . quen choses ainsi nouvelles les subgects du Roy mon maistre soyent . . . . . travaillez, comme il semble quon le veuille faire; et ne souffrir [que ledict] maistre Bernard soit ainsi scandalize et vitupere." Chelsey, 30 Sept. 1538. *Signed.*

French p. 1. *much injured at edges. Add.:* Privy Seal.

30 Sept. **463.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

Never thought so long to hear from his Lordship, as during these four days, only because of the bruit lately divulged here that Lisle was departed. Cannot find out the inventor. Has great trust Lisle is in good health; but gapes hourly for news. London, 30 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

30 Sept. **464.** [SIR] WILLIAM SYDNEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Nichols' Edw. VI., Vol. I. xxxvii.

Has received Cromwell's letters with thanks for his Lordship's beneficence contained in the same. Would never have moved the preferment of his sister† to so high a room as Cromwell has obtained for her, if he were not sure of her capability. She is ready to wait on the King whenever sent for. Havering at Boure, 30 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Sept. **465.** RICHARD THORNDEN to CROMWELL.

R. O.

He and his fellows‡ gathered from Cromwell's exhortation in their chapterhouse, that they must change their habits. Writes to know when this is to be done, as he must provide before Allhallow Day new habits for the convent. For his own part would gladly leave off his habit "all my progress time and specially when that I come to London, where I trust to see your Lordship shortly." Canterbury, 30 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Sept. **466.** SIR WM. PARRE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Was a suitor to Cromwell that the abbey of Pipwell might stand. The abbot is now content to surrender it to the King. If the King wishes it to be dissolved, suggests that a commission should be sent to Dr. Lee, Mr. Parishe, and Mr. Freman, now at Soulby. Asks for the preferment of the house and demesne. Asks him to be good lord to the abbot and the brethren for their pensions. Never knew nor heard but that they used themselves like honest men. Brigstok, 30 Sept. *Signed.*

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† His wife's sister. *See* 3 Oct.

‡ Of Christchurch, Canterbury. The writer was warden of the manors belonging to the cathedral priory.

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30 Sept. **467.** WILLIAM POPLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. At this my repair to Bristol I have been informed that my lord of Norfolk has commanded the customers here to send him all licences they have had to convey victual or leather. I beg your Lordship's continued favour, and that I may know what is done for Edyngton, to the intent I may act as the case requires, and return unto your Lordship to do my duty accordingly. Bristol, 30 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Sept. **468.** THE HANAPER OF CHANCERY.

R. O. "Compotus Hanaperii Cancellarie D'ni Regis Henrici Octavi," from 29 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. to 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., inclusive.

Total numbers of original writs, patents, charters, &c., issued, with the amount of money received for them: in all 38 different items. Total amount, 2,979*l.* 7¼*d.* Sum of petitions, 1,451*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.*; whereof delivered to Sir Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, 1,000*l.*; remaining with the accountant, 527*l.* 7*s.* 8¼*d.*

Large paper, pp. 4.

30 Sept. **469.** THE DUKE OF SUFFOLK.

Harl. MS. 6,689, f. 8. B. M. Annotated later copy of an indenture of sale made 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. by Chas. duke of Suffolk, of certain lands to the King. [The indenture is enrolled, Close Roll 30 Hen. VIII. pt. 3. No. 14, and is cited in the grant to the duke of Suffolk of 19 Dec. following.]

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30 Sept. **470.** ORMESBY, or NORTH ORMESBY, PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 604. Surrender (by Robt. bishop of Llandaff, commendatory general master of the Order of Sempyngham, and Chr. prior of Ormesbe, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Linc. and Yorks., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Chr. Cartwreght, prior, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 36.]

Seal much injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 29] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Petre, LL.D.

30 Sept. **471.** LYNN, AUSTIN FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in co. Norf., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Wilson, prior, *and ten others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 29.]

Mutilated and faded. No seal.

30 Sept. **472.** LYNN, WHITE FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in co. Norf., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Robt. Newman, prior, *and ten others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 30.]

Without seal. Faded.

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473. LYNN, BLACK FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in co. Norf., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. —— (*blank*) day of —— (*blank*) 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Lovett, prior, Robt. Scott, bachelor, *and ten others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II., 30.]

Faded. Without seal.

30 Sept. **474.** GREY FRIARS OF DORCHESTER.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King. 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* fr. Willms. Germen, doctor—frater Edmundus Dorcet—fr. Thos. Clas—fr. Johis. Tregynzyon—fr. Johis. Clement—fr. John llaurens—fr. Stephanus Popynyay—fr. Thos. Wyre.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars of Dorchester received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to Roger Howell and Wm. Stone for the King.

Choir:—a table at the high altar of imagery after the old fashion, a small pair of organs, fair stallys "well sileid," divers tombs in the choir, &c. Church:—4 tables and 3 great images of alabaster, a new tabernacle for the image of St. Francis, divers images stolen, tombs in the church, &c., in the steeple 3 bells, each more than other. Vestry:—priest, deacon, and subdeacon of blue velvet embroidered, and 5 other suits of damask, &c., with other vestments and copes, one of the latter with blue velvet embroidered. Chambers:—a feather bed without a bolster; blankets, quilt, and sheets; "2 old carpets, one of them in the King's chamber with a sileing"; 3 chairs, &c. Hall, frayter, buttery, kitchen, and brewhouse:—ordinary furniture.

Besides this, to redeem certain plate in pledge for 3*l.*, and to pay certain wages and the Visitor's charges, was sold:—an iron grate about a tomb in the church for 40*s.*, a white vestment with deacon and subdeacon, 40*s.*; 2 feather beds and a covering, 10*s.*; "an old cope, durneks," and a pillow, and old iron with a holy water stoup, 7*s.* 8*d.* The Visitor has 126½ oz. plate. Left in the said bailey's hands 10 pieces of evidence. The Visitor has the counterpane of an indenture of the mill belonging to the convent, and has received 13*s.* 4*d.* for a press that stood in the vestry. There are 2 horses belonging to the mill. *Signatures of Howell and Stone in the same hand as the text.*

Copy, pp. 3.

30 Sept. **475.** WM. SAYNTLOO to SIR WM. KINGSTON.

R. O. This month the Deputy, with lord Butler, Mr. Treasurer, the Chief Justice, and others, made a raid upon the Kavanaghes, McMorhowe, and his followers, who have promised to keep peace. Doubts their promise. Wexford county, whereof he has charge by the mediation of the lord Privy Seal and Kingston, supplied above 800 men. Protests against a report that his office is worth 50*l.* a year to him. On the contrary it is very costly, and he begs assistance. Waterford, 30 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Vice-Chamberlain.

30 Sept. **476.** ANTHOINETTE DE BOURBON [Duchess of Guise] to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. II. 9, Adv. Lib., Edin. Is much rejoiced to learn by her letters both by her lacquey and by the controller, whose words confirm it, the good treatment she has "au lieu ou Nostre Signeur vous a pourveue." Hopes God will increase her honour, and that she may feel more bound to do him service. On our side all is

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476. Anthoinette de Bourbon [Duchess of Guise] to the Queen of Scotland—*cont.*

well, especially our grandson (*petit filz*)* who eats heartily. All the rest here (*de seans*) are well except your sister, who is still troubled with fever. I do not expect she will get rid of it till spring. "Elle est quyte de fluex de ventre, au moyen de quoy elle n'est sy feible qu'elle soullet. Je suis la pleus vaillente des aultres, car je ne me suis sentie de ryens." You father is still at the Court. He writes that he hopes this interview with the queen of Hungary will not be long, and that he may return about All Saints' Day, or soon after, when he will send a gentleman to you to learn news of the King and you. I shall take care, however, if not too lazy, to send with him letters of my own of all that shall occur. I am still doubtful whether to go to my niece's marriage with Mons. de Nevers.† "Sy se feust a sete asemblee croy are peyne (?) men escuxer, combien que je laye este pour la malladie de vostre seur y estre comme les aultres; mais Madame ma mere ne veult ouyr parller je faille a ses (*ces*) nopces. Mondit Sieur vostre pere ma mende que sy elle sy font il seret bien ayse, moyennant Louyse se portat ases bien, et je la pense layser gy alaso . ., et que nous vyendrons ensemble." I expect news immediately what to do. Madame de Lorrayne is probably now at Compiegne. Your uncle comes thence to Gendrecourt (?), and sends word that he will come and see me here this week. He is alone, because the Marquis and Mons. de Mez are with Madame, their mother. Wishes the King and her long life and a "beau filz" as soon as may be.

P.S.—Your father has sent me a note to get the King an armourer (*armurier*) here, and one of this town who is considered a good workman agrees to go to Scotland, but not till spring, and the miners (*mynurs*) also. Written 30 Sept.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Madame de Guise.

— Sept. **477.** Francis Earl of Shrewsbury to John Scudamour.

Add. MS. 11,042, f. 94. B. M.

I thank you for the pains which my servant Thurstan Wodcok reports you took with my friend Thos. Bromley, at his late being within such poor offices as you occupy under me, and also for your furtherance touching the 20 mks. granted to me by my friends and tenants of the lordship of Godriche, which always has been paid after the decease of every lord there. Begs him to thank them and assure them that they shall take no hurt hereafter because he has not come thither himself before the payment thereof, as they claim that he should do. Wynfeld, x . . . . Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

— Sept. **478.** The King's Jewels.

Royal MS. 7 C. xvi., f. 55. B. M.

Receipt by Cornelius Haeys from the King of a balas, a sapphire, 2 great emeralds, 2 rock rubies, a table emerald, 3 other emeralds, a sapphire, 2 turquoises, and 2 pearls. September 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Endd.

479. [Lord Lisle] to John Husee.

R. O.

I have received your letter of the 26th inst., and pray you to go through with my lord Admiral according to my last letter. You know what my brewhouse stood me in. I send you a letter touching an answer to Mr. Pollard. As to my promise to my lord Privy Seal about Paynswick,

* The infant duke of Longueville.

† Margaret daughter of Charles duke of Vendôme and niece of the duchess of Guise, married Francis duke of Nevers in 1538. Anderson's Royal Genealogies, p. 629.

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it is my wife's jointure. I can do no more than in me lies, and I should be loth but that she should fare the better by me after my decease. The indenture between Sir John Dudley and me purports that I shall make jointure to my wife during my life, and after her decease have 1,000 marks for my daughters' marriages.

P. 1. *Begins:* Husee, I commend me.

480. Sir T[homas] Nevyle to Cromwell.

R. O. Offers him his house of the Yoke for the night the King is at Roydones or Whyttynhalles. Neither himself nor any of his servants have been there for a twelvemonth except a gardener. It is a mile from Mereworth. Will cause provision to be made. Is sorry that the King cannot come to his house "because of the chance therein," and that he cannot attend upon his Grace nor see Cromwell "before winter, that we have some frosts." Watteringbury in Kent. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. inaccurately:* Sir Edward Nevyle.

481. Ric. Layton, Priest, to Cromwell

R. O. As commanded, I bound the abbot of Hailes in 500*l.*, from the day of his departure from London, to alienate no moveables and make no grant under convent seal "from the day of his privy surrender forwards," and so sent him home. On Friday last I came to Harrow and yesterday went into the fields, and send you by my servant the bearer such birds as I killed with my hawk, viz., three pheasants. Tomorrow I purpose to be at Hunslow, with Mr. Ansam the groom porter, to pay the debts due by the drunken friars, who "drank weekly all the town dry," and yet when they were led home drunk at night were most ready to sing mass in the morning. Harrow, this Sunday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

482. Ric. Bp. of Dover, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received into the King's hands all the houses in South Wales, Devonshire, and Cornwall, Bristol, and Dorchester, and now is in Salisbury. The warden of Dorchester, a doctor, has been there many years, and is in high favour, so that the writer had much trouble to come to a knowledge of the state of the house. There is a mill worth 10*l.* a year which the warden has let to lord Sturton for 4*l.*, the repairs to be done by the King. Had some trouble to see the indenture, which has only been made half a year, and no rent yet paid, though the warden says lord Sturton has had it for six years. Hears that his Lordship has gone to London to sue to have the whole house on the plea that he has the mill and grounds. Has seized the mill into the King's hands and retained the miller to the King's use, and charged the bailiffs with the "sight" of it, and ordered two horses and hay for them. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Richard Deverys.

— Sept. **483.** Queen Mary of Hungary to Chapuys.

Spanish Calendar, VI. 1. No. 16. Has heard, from Don Diego Hurtado de Mendoza, what he and Chapuys have negociated with the King and his ministers respecting the new alliances, and the state of the negociations [when Don Diego left that country]; and though they seem as far from an end as they were at first, yet the Emperor has sent her full powers to conclude the said alliances provided the King proposes reasonable conditions, and nothing shall be omitted on her part to strengthen the old friendship between England and the

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483. Queen Mary of Hungary to Chapuys—*cont.*

House of Austria. Henry expresses, in his letter brought by Don Diego, his wish to have the substance of her commission communicated to him that he may take resolution in the matter. Sends copy of her answer. Cannot at present go as far as Chapuys and Don Diego have gone; for, in the first place, the affair of Milan is now on a different footing, owing to the friendship between the Emperor and France, and all references to that matter ought to be carefully avoided. As to the Pope and Council, of which the King has often spoken, the Emperor will never act against the Church; but as to any personal matter between the King and the Pope he will do his best, as a brother, to adjust the matter. Chapuys may also tell the King she would like him to state, in writing, what property and rank he intends giving his daughter, the Princess, what dower he purposes for the Duchess, and what property is to be inherited by the sons and descendants of the said two marriages. These points being understood, he may send his ambassadors when he pleases.

French, headed: 7 bre. 1538. *From a MS. at Vienna.*

484. The Two Marriages.

Spanish Calendar, VI. 1. No. 25.

Memorandum respecting Henry VIII.'s proposed marriage with the Duchess of Milan and that of the princess Mary with the Infant Dom Loys.

The Emperor's wish is, first, that his ambassadors in England grant nothing against the Church or the authority of the Apostolic See, nor against the Princess' rights to the succession; that the Infant and Princess be not compelled to sign anything against the Church or Apostolic See; to know what dowry he proposes to give the Princess; that the king of Portugal is ready to maintain his brother in a princely state, and the king of England ought rather to look to the personal merits and age of the personage than to his material wealth; that the Emperor guarantees all promises made by the King and Infant of Portugal, and will be glad to enter into an offensive and defensive league with both states, and so will the king of the Romans. Should the king of England suggest ratifying the last treaty, the ambassadors shall decline on the plea that there are articles therein which do not concern Portugal or the king of the Romans. Should the king of England hint at a new league, they shall listen to his proposals without accepting or rejecting any terms, however hard they may appear. To grant nothing touching old confederacies with Scotland. To secure the succession to the Princess in case of the King dying without male or legitimate issue. To procure that the King shall assign to the Princess the largest dower possible on some estate which she herself may enjoy, besides a considerable sum of ready money; and to have the dower properly valued, so that in the event of the King's death she may know what to claim.

The ambassadors shall remember:—(1) that the king of England will gladly declare against the Turk provided the Emperor will declare against the Pope; (2) that the King refuses to declare the legitimacy of the Princess, but will declare her heiress to his throne, should he die without legitimate children, and that in any case she shall be preferred to the daughter of Anne Boleyn, the beheaded Queen; (3) that he offered to give her 100,000 crs. down and 20,000 crs. a year as dower, which his ministers have since reduced to the 100,000 crs. only. The Imperial ambassadors said that for every 100,000 crs. Henry gave, the Infant would give 5,000 as a marriage portion; but nothing was fixed, and the King's consignment was originally made upon the lands of suppressed monasteries and not in ready money. On the other hand, the King stipulated that the Emperor should defend him against the Pope, that the Council should not be held at Cambray,* and that wherever

* So according to the Spanish Calendar.

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held, nothing should be treated therein to his detriment. The ambassadors tacitly owned that the Emperor intended to give Milan to the Infant; and this so pleased the King that he at once offered money to defend him against his enemies, and also to declare against the Turk. The King, nevertheless, requested that the investiture of Milan should be delayed till after the conclusion of the marriages. Since then the Emperor had offered Milan to the King on condition of his making a league offensive and defensive; but the English excused themselves on the plea of expense, the Emperor having so many enemies.

ii. The King's marriage with the duchess of Milan.

Cromwell first suggested it to the Imperial ambassador (Chapuys), and proposed that of the prince of England with the Emperor's daughter (Mary) and of the King's daughter by Anne Boleyn with the son of the duke of Savoy or of the king of the Romans. The proposal being renewed, the Imperial ambassadors declined to treat of such marriages on account of the youth of the parties, &c.; but said that, if the King would treat of his own marriage with the duchess of Milan, the Emperor would give her 100,000 crs. as dowry and 15,000 crs. a year, together with her rights to her mother's* inheritance, and would endeavour to get the countess Palatine to cede to her her right to the crowns of Denmark and Norway, and even, if necessary, aid him in the conquest of these kingdoms. The King, thereupon, asked for an increase of the dower and marriage portion, and that it should be assigned upon Flanders, as Milan was not secure, and said he did not care for the rights the Duchess might have to Denmark. The ambassadors replied that the dowry was sufficient, and that the King ought not to insist upon such trifles. They also offered that the Emperor should mediate between the Pope and the King; but this the King would not hear of. The King then asked the investiture of Milan for his daughter, and the ambassadors replied that Milan could not be disposed of without the consent of the Italian powers; and, moreover, there was nothing to fear in that quarter, since in the agreement with king Francis there was nothing to his detriment.

In a despatch, addressed to the queen Regent of Flanders, Don Diego says that in treating the marriage between the Princess and the Infant great care should be taken that she be declared legitimate, and if the King will not agree to that, no mention of his refusal must be made in the marriage contract, so as not to hurt her right to the succession. To insist, however, upon the largest possible dower, she being daughter of queen Katharine, who had 200,000 ducats. That it would be well to draw out a secret protest that in treating the marriage her rights to the succession are not to be impaired. The Emperor writes approving his ambassador's answers to the King's two proposals, viz., that the Emperor should not consent to the General Council, and that he himself is unwilling to declare the legitimacy of his daughter. The answers were that the Emperor could not make such a promise, as it was against God and reason, and that if the King would not acknowledge his daughter's legitimacy, he was at least bound to reserve her right to the succession in default of other children.

In a letter of 28 July 1538 the Emperor writes that the English ambassador had asked him to urge on the said two marriages, and that, even if the other were delayed, the King's with the duchess of Milan should be proceeded with; making no objection to the Emperor's voluntary disposal of Milan, and offering to contribute to its defence provided full powers were sent to the queen Regent to treat of his own marriage with the duchess of Milan. The Queen is to endeavour to discover what the King means by this new proposal, but, in order not to displease the king of France, she is to conclude nothing without first letting the Emperor know; much less arrange an interview with the King at Calais or elsewhere, which the English

* Isabella, sister of Charles V.

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ambassador seems anxious for, or make any definitive agreement with respect to Milan, for the French have not yet lost all hope of getting possession of it somehow. Should the King or his ministers mention it, the Imperial commissioners must reply that, as the King's answer to the Imperial ambassadors on that point had been both cold and unmeaning, it was necessary that he should make a new declaration of his intentions therein within a fixed period; not forgetting to state that the Milan question is open to many considerations. The English ambassador with the Emperor has complained that his master was not expressly comprised in the treaty of Nice, saying, "Perhaps, by not mentioning my master in the treaty of Nice, the object was to show that he is not a Christian king, since he has denied obedience to the Church of Rome?" The ambassador again requested that the Emperor would engage that nothing to the King's detriment should be discussed in the General Council. The answer was that such a request was unreasonable. The ambassador also requested that particular instructions should be sent to the Queen Regent touching the dowry and rights of the Duchess, besides the cession of Denmark. This was promised. He also spoke of the defence of Milan, and was told that the assistance proffered is now subject to other considerations, as circumstances have greatly altered; also that if the marriages were to go forward he must proceed more seriously than hitherto.

The Emperor's resident ambassador in England (Chapuys) writes, on the 31 August 1538, that the King objected to the powers sent to the Queen, on the ground that they were insufficient to treat of the marriage between the Infant and the Princess, which was the principal point of the two, that the Emperor did not know what property the Infant had to offer as security for the Princess' dower, and had not received, from the Infant, sufficient powers to proceed. Moreover, Henry wished the negociations carried on in England through the medium of the queen of Hungary. The Emperor's answer was that the English ambassador at his Court had seen the powers, and that Dom Loys himself would not contradict any statement made by the Emperor. Chapuys also says that the King, by declaring the Princess' marriage to be the more important of the two, shows clearly that his aim is to create jealousy between the Emperor and Francis about Milan. Cromwell must have said somewhere that a marriage was in contemplation between the duchess of Milan and the young duke of Cleves, and that it was a reflection on his master to be refused for a Duke; also that, once in possession of Milan, his master's affairs would go on well, and everything else be settled. The King, moreover, said to the French ambassador that he would have Milan in spite of any prince, and that it had been actually offered to him even after the interview at Aigues Mortes.

French. From a MS. at Vienna.

485. Sir Antony Wyndesore to Lord Lisle.

R. O. According to your last letters, I have commenced an action of *scandalum magnatum* against Ric. Bell for his lewd words, which all persons of worship know to be untrue. I have also made motions concerning your lease of Subberton. My lady Salisbury is very desirous of it, and also my lord Chief Baron. Your Lordship wrote of late to Mr. Hussey that Mr. Bonaham should have the preferment of it before any other, and he has been informed of your Lordship's pleasure, but we have yet no knowledge of his mind. I have been desired by the lord Chancellor's comptroller to ask you to sign this bill of protection. Commend me to my Lady.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

486. Sir Antony Wyndesore to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I commend me to your Lordship and my Lady. I happened to be at Subberton the same day that Jamysso, your servant, was there for your

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Lordship's stuff. And as you commanded the "jare" to be mended, I covenanted with a "carttender" (carpenter?) before Mr. Robert Fawkner and Selarer for the making thereof, but he would not do it under 4*l.*, besides timber. So, as your Lordship intends to sell your years of Subberton, I shall stay that charge till I hear from you. I wrote to you a letter to Dover concerning your suit against Richard Bell, to which you made me no answer. I therefore intend to cause your Lordship's counsel to go forward with the suit this term. I beg you to be good lord to this poor man Shoryare in his suit to your Lordship for the farm of Longsspersse.

Mrs. Brytgytt recommends her to you and my Lady, and desires your blessing. She is now at home with me, because I will provide for her apparel, for she has outgrown all she has except what she had of late; and I will keep her still if your Lordship and my Lady desire it, and she shall fare no worse than I do, "for she is very spare, and hath need of cherishing, and she shall lack nothing in learning nor otherwise that my wife can do for her." I also wrote to your Lordship for the stuff of your brewhouse at Subberton. A good deal of money will not repair it now. I have sent you and my Lady a "booke" (buck). I trust you will receive it sweet.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

487. Robert Cowley to [Cromwell].*

R. O. St. P. II. 326.

"The devises of Robert Cowley for the furtherance of the King's Majesty's affairs in his Grace's land of Ireland."

The Commission to the Deputy to hold the last Parliament was as deputy to the duke of Richmond, who died about the beginning of the Parliament. The Acts of the said Parliament are therefore invalidated, *viz.*, the Acts of Supremacy, Suppression of Religious Houses, Attainders, &c. Advises:—

1. That a new Parliament be commissioned to ratify them. 2. That Cromwell should appoint a substitute to execute part of his office in Ireland, and stop the Irish from recourse to the bishop of Rome. 3. That all "provisours going to Rome, and papists," should be punished extremely. 4. The "pretensed" earl of Desmond has seized upon Kildare's lands in Limerick. The Deputy and Council should recover the said lands, and reduce the said Desmond to allegiance, or else prosecute him as a rebel. 5. Young Gerot, Jas. Delahide, and their accomplices should be apprehended.

I delivered your Lordship, in Canterbury, the writings sent from the Master of the Rolls,† among them a book of ordnance to be sent to Ireland. Please learn the King's pleasure about that and the Chancellorship of Ireland.

In Cowley's own hand.

488. Summary of Letters [to Cromwell].

Calig. B. III. 207. B. M.

"Abridgment."

"Sir Rainold Carnabye's letter to your Lordship," referring the declaration of the estate of Tyndale to his brother and his servant Roger Lawson. (*See* No. 371.)

"Abridgment of his letter to the Council of the North."

That he has imprisoned some Tyndale men at Warkworth because they would not inlay some of their pledges who had left Newcastle without licence. Item, one of the said prisoners escaped by means of Roger Heron.

* This document was erroneously placed in the State Papers among letters of the year 1536, and the error was repeated in this Calendar, Vol. XI., No. 382.

† *See* No. 181.

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The Tyndale men afterwards, with outlaws and Scots of Liddesdale, unlawfully assembled for redress, which was refused by Carnaby. The gentlemen of Northumberland thought the best way of disappointing them would be, with permission of the Council, by burning their houses, &c. (*See* No. 355.)

"Abridgment of articles from the same Carnaby of his devise."

1. Credence must not be given to the Tyndale men's promises, for if they have redress of their prisoners and leisure to spend their corn and hay "they will set by no man." 2. The outlaws were in North Tyndale 13 Sept., with most of the inhabitants. 3. To get them expelled, a raid must be made against North Tyndale; those who will submit to be received, the rest to be apprehended and suffer justice, the goods of fugitives to be seized, and their houses, &c., "utterly brynt." One hundred men to be had in pay for three months. If the King consent, the order to be taken and then the King's letters to be sent to the wardens of the West and Middle Marches. (No. 371 (2).)

"A letter from the Council of the North to Carnaby."

The Council will be at Derrington the 12th Oct., and take a direction in the premises. (*See* No. 404.)

"Abridgment for devises in Ireland." (*See* No. 487.)

1. The last parliament there took no effect, for the duke of Richmond's lieutenant died before its authorisation. A commission is needed for a new parliament there to confirm the acts of "supremitie," &c. 2. To substitute under your Lordship one to exercise jurisdiction ecclesiastical. 3. "An injunction to persecute papist[s] in Ireland." 4. To prosecute the earl of Desmond as a rebel, and to recover from him the lands late of the earl of Kildare in co. Limerick. 5. To invent policy to take young Geret and Jam[es] Delahede.

"Brigment of diverse letters."

"Robert Huse for the demesnes of Haversholm.

"The lord Lysley's letter certificatory and for a frerage.*

"The lord Lysley's letter for his annuity of 400*l.*

"Richard Granfelle's letter for a frearage in Exister.

"My lord of Canterbury's letter in the favour of James Bernard.

"John Russell's letter touching certain letters taken in a search.

"Two bills of the abbot of Hallys, one to make a college of the monastery, the other touching the blode.

"The receipts and charges of Calais."

Pp. 3. *Endd.:* "The summe of Carnaby's letters."

489. HOUSES OF FRIARS DISSOLVED.

R. O. The houses of friars lately given up which have any substance of lead.

The Black Friars in Winchester, the choir all leaded, part of the church leaded, one pane of the cloister and part of the steeple. The White Friars in Bristow, one aisle of the church, a chapel, and divers great gutters and conduits.

Similar particulars about the Black Friars in Gloucester, Worcester, Newcastle, Westchester, Hereford, Exeter, Bristow, and Salisbury; the Grey Friars in Lichfield, Stafford, Shrewsbury, Carmarthen, Bridgewater, Exeter, Bodmin, Dorchester, Salisbury, and Chichester; the White Friars in Westchester and Ludlowe, and Austin Friars in Southampton.

ii. The houses of friars that have no substance of lead, save only some of them have small gutters.

* The house of the White Friars, Calais.

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Grey Friars in Winchester, Bristow, Gloucester, Worcester, Bridgenorth, Westchester, Beaumares, Hereford, Cardiff, Plymouth, Oxford, Cambridge, Reading, Aylesbury, Norwich, and Bedford.

White Friars in Winchester, Marlborough, Gloucester, Shrewsbury, Denbigh, Oxford, Cambridge, Norwich, and Hitchin.

Austin Friars in Winchester, Bristowe, Stafford, Ludlow, Newport, Oxford, Cambridge, Norwich, Thetford, and Clare.

Black Friars in Shrewsbury, Rudland (Rhuddlan), Bangor, Brecknock, Hereford,* Cardiff, Ylchester, Trury, Melcam, Chichester, Arundell, Guildford, Oxford, Cambridge, Norwich, and Thetford.

In Derby's hand, pp. 4. *Endd.*

490. Richard Jervis, Mercer.

R. O.

Account of receipts and expenses by Richard Gerves, including receipts at Bridgenorth fair on St. Luke's day from Mr. Edmond Corbett and Sir Henry Aldwyn, costs of riding thither two years, receipt "by me Ric. Gerves, mercer" on Thursday, 19 Sept. 1538, memorandum of a payment by John Wylkoxks to Mr. Statham in Cheapside in presence of Wm. Dolbyn, for which "I" took a quittance.

ii. A rental of Weston made 9 May 27 Henry VIII.

iii. Rental of Leighton made 25 May 27 Henry VIII.

iv. Account of Davy Bowyn (*elsewhere* "a Bowen," *i.e.*, ap Owen) of Shrowysbere, of receipts of rents of Weston and Leighton for $2\frac{1}{2}$ years. The last date is Mich. 29 Henry VIII. The names of the tenants are mostly Welsh.

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491. Grants in September 1538.

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Grants.

1. Sir John Duddeley. Grant, in fee, of the late abbey of Hales Owen, Salop, with site, church, steeple and churchyard, &c., the manors of Hales, Halesburgh, Hales Owen, and Helle Graunge, Salop; the rectories of Warley, Hales, St. Kenelm in Kelmestowe and Ramesley, and the advowsons of the churches and vicarages of Warley, Hales, Ludley and Cradeley and St. Kenelm, Salop; the manors of Horneburn, Smythwyke, Womeburn, Swyndon, Rowley, Weddesbury, Westbromewiche, Walsall, Pessall and Lychefeld, Staff., with the rectories and advowsons of Clent, Weddesbury, Rowley, Walsall, Ludley, and Cradley, and the manors of Warley, Church Lentch, Cradley, Dodford, and the priory of Dodford, Worc., belonging to the said late abbey of Hales Owen; and all other lordships, manors, messuages, &c., in Hales, Halesburgh, Hales Owen, Warley, Kelmestowe, Ramesley, Dudley, Cradeley, Horneburn, Smythwyke, Womeburn, Swyndon, Rowley, Weddesbury, Westbromewych, Walsall, Pessall, Lychefeld, Warley, Church Lentch, Cradley, Dodford, Dodford Priory, Frankley, Northfeld, Pyrcott Graunge, and Ludley (Salop, Staff. and Worc.), or elsewhere, which belonged to Hales Owen, which came to the King by deed of Wm. Taylor, the abbot, and the convent of Hales Owen, dated 9 June 30 Hen. VIII. and fine levied in Easter Term 30 Hen. VIII. Rent, 28*l.* 15*d.* *Del.* Westm., 1 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 16.

2. Sir John Gresham of London, and Mary his wife. Grant in fee of the manors of Lymesfeld and Brodham, Surrey, advowson of the rectory and parish church of Lymesfeld, annual pension of 2*s.* from the rector, and all lands, &c., in Lymesfeld, Brodham and Oxstede, Surrey, or elsewhere, which belonged to the dissolved monastery of St. Martin, Battle, Sussex; in as full manner as John Hamond, the late abbot, held them. Rent, 5*l.* 12*s.*, free from all corrodies, &c., with certain stated exceptions. Date, ... (*illegible*) 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.*10.

3. Sir John Clerke and Agnes his wife. Pardon of all ruins, decays and voluntary devastations of towns, hamlets, manors, messuages, cottages and buildings in Northweston and New Tame, Oxon, and inclosure and conversion of tilled land into pasture

* Hereford. So in MS., but apparently Haverford West was intended, for the Black Friars of Hereford was leaded. *See* No. 184 (6), where the note about the lead agrees with § 1 of this No.

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491. GRANTS in SEPTEMBER 1538—*cont.*

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by Sir Ric. Fowler* or the said John and Agnes, &c., with licence to hold the said lands inclosed by the said Ric. Fowler without rebuilding or exercise of husbandry, notwithstanding the statutes. Chichester 16 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 15.

4. Wm. Bolles, one of the particular receivers of the Court of Augmentations, and Lucy his wife. Grant, in fee simple, of the house and site of the late priory of St. Mary Felley, Notts., with all its lands, &c., in Felley and Annesley, Notts., and certain acres there reserved to the use of the household of the said late priory; together with a messuage, a granary, a water-mill called Felley mylle and two parcels of meadow called "lez holmes," a close called Ollerschay, and one called Corne Bradley near Felley mille in Felley and Annesley, late in the tenure of Wm. Herott; a close called Bradley medowe near Felley, late in the tenure of Wm. Wood and Reginald Melott; which belonged to the said priory and are now farmed by Agnes Huddelston, widow. Also a messuage and a granary in Annesley and Felley late in the tenure of Thos. Foxe and James Burgys; a close called Okemedowe with a piece of land thereto adjoining, and a close called Lambarstorth late in the tenure of Geof. Herott in Felley and Annesley; a moiety of the wood, land and pasture called "le Falwood' and a meadow called Birde medowe in' Felley and Annesley; all which belonged to the said priory and are now farmed by Thos. Bykerstaff and Robt. Key. Also, a tenement and three closes in Chepyn Hille in the parish of Annesley, late in the tenure of Elias Rod and now of Robt. Comyn; a tenement and one bovate of land and other lands in Annesley late in the tenure of John Barre and now of John Burgys; the wood called "le Falwood" in Felley and Annesley, and all manors, messuages, &c. in Felley and Annesley belonging to the said late priory; in as full manner as Chris. Bolton, the late prior, held the same. Clear annual value, 13*l.* Rent, 26*s.* *Del.* Westm., 1 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 19.

5. Ric. Byggs. To be a gunner in the Tower of London, *vice* John Chaundeler, dec., with 6*d.* a day from 10 March 29 Hen. VIII. Westm., 1 July 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurche, 5 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 12.

6. Sir Thos. Audeley, Chancellor. Licence to alienate the site, ground, circuit, &c. of the late monastery of Walden, Essex, with the manors of Brokewalden, Pounces, Matenys, Seynt Alottys, Abbotys in Thunderley, Mynchon in Arkesden, Chyssyll, Ellesnam and Terlyng, advowsons of the vicarages of Walden, Arkesdon, Magna Chyssyll, Ellesnam and Terlyng, Essex; and all other lands in Walden, Brokewalden, Lyttebury, Newporte, Pounces, Matenys, Seynt Alottys, Thunderley, Arkesden, Beerden, Assheden, Wenden Magna, Wenden Parva, Henham, Depden Elmedon, Terlyng, Leighes, Hatfeld Peverell, Boreham, Whitteham, Blakenotley, Falborne and Fairsted, Essex, Lynton and Reche, Camb., and Sturmer, Suff.; and the manors of Corney Bury, Braughynge, and Mylkeley, Herts; rectories and advowsons of Braughyng, Leyston, and Alswike; and all other lands in Braughyng, Mylkeley, Corney Bury, Leyston, Buntyngford, Wydyale, Westmyll, Ware, Stondon, Nuttehamsted, Barkewaye, Thorley and elsewhere, Herts; with reservations; to John Eyre and James Vawdye, to be regranted within a month to Sir Thomas and dame Eliz. his wife, and the heirs of the said Sir Thos. for ever. Berechurch, 8 Sept. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 5, *m.* 28.

7. Hugh Patric of Stafford, butcher. General pardon. Canterbury, 8 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII., *Del.* Berechurche, 17 Sept. P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 16.

8. Monastery of Whitbye, Yorks. Congé d'élire to the prior and convent. Knol, 16 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 18 Sept.—P.S.

9. Thos. Hemysley. Lease of the warren of coneys called Potterly warren in the lordship of Temple Hurst, Yorks., now in his tenure, and parcel of the lands of Sir Thos. lord Darcy, attainted; also a pasture called Corner close, a parcel of the demesne lands of the said lordship; with reservations; for 21 years at 10*l.* rent for the warren, and 23*s.* 4*d.* for the pasture, as extended by the survey of Ric. Pollard. *Del.* Westm., 18 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

10. Edw. Fenys lord Clynton and Saye, and Eliz. his wife. Licence to alienate the manors of Folkeston *alias* Fulkeston and Waltum, Kent, to Thos. Crumwell lord Crumwell. Westm., 18 Sept. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 3 *m.* 13.

11. Anth. Dennye, yeomen of the Wardrobe of Robes. To be Keeper of the Royal Household in the Palace of Westminster, with fees of 6*d.* a day. Westm., 20 Sept. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 2, *m.* 12.

12. Thos. Stevenson, *alias* Barwyke. To be Rougecrosse pursuivant at arms, with fees of 10*l.* from Michaelmas last. Penshurst, 18 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurche, 20 Sept.—P.S.

13. Peter Leycestre of Nethercabley, Cheshire, s. and h. apparent of John Leycestre.

* The name is given as Fuller in the enrolment where it first occurs in the grant.

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Pardon for the death of Henry Newhall slain by him. Otford 23 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Wesm., "xxij die, anno subscripto" (no month stated in P.S, but enrolled 22 Sept.)—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 12.

14. Wm. Latymer, clk. Presentation to the college or chapel of Corpus Christi, beside the church of St. Laurence near Candlewike Strete, London, *vice* Thos. Starkey, clk., dec. *Del.* Terlyng 24 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 13.

15. Geoff. Loveday, one of the sewers of the King's Chamber. To be customer and collector of the poundage on wool and fleeces in Calais, *vice* Sir James Worsley, dec. Otford. 22 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Berechurch, 24 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 17.

16. Anth. Barker, chaplain. Presentation to the vicarage or parish church of All Saints, Westham, London dioc., void by the death of Robt. Paynter, and at the King's disposal by the assignation *hâc vice* of Thos. Godsalve. *Del.* Terlyng, 25 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 13.

17. Thos. Weldon and Cecilia his wife. Grant, in fee, of the manor of White Waltham, Berks, with the advowson of the vicarage and all lands there, which belonged to the monastery of Chertesey, Surrey, now dissolved, in as full manner as John Cordrey, the late abbot, held them; with reservations: at 34*s.* 3*d.* rent. *Del.* Westm., 26 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 48.

18. Sir Wm. Pykerynge. Grant, in fee, of the following possessions which were found by inquisitions p.m. taken at Wye, Kent, 6 May 30 Hen. 8, before Roger Hoorne, escheator, to have belonged to Wm. Knelle of Brokelond, Kent, yeoman, attainted, at the time of the perpetration of his treasons, *i.e.*, 13 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII., viz.:—

A messuage, barn, and 38 acres 1 rood of marsh land in Brokelond, Kent, and 14 acres of land in Ivechurche, holden of Thos. archbp. of Canterbury, as of his manors of Aldyngton and Bylsington; 16 acres of the land aforesaid, holden of the King in socage as of the manor of Boxeley; 16 acres 3 roods in Brokeland, holden of the abbot and convent of St. Augustine without the walls of Canterbury, as of their manor of Wyke; 4 acres of land in Ivechurch, holden of Ric. Engeham as of his manor of More Courte; a small messuage and one acre of marsh land in Brokeland, holden also of the manor of Wyke; 3 other acres of marsh land in Brokeland, holden in socage of the prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England as of his manor of Swynfeld; certain other acres of marsh land in Brokeland, partly holden of the King as of the manor of Boxley, and partly of St. Augustine's as of the manor of Wyke; a piece of marsh land called Hikks Asshe in Snargate, Kent, holden in socage of Sir Wm. Hawte, as of his manor of Blakemanton; a messuage and barn called Bakers, and 72 acres of marsh land in Snave, Kent, holden also as of the manor of Wyke; 20 other acres of marsh land in the parishes of Ivechurch and Brokeland, holden in socage of the said archbp. as of his manor of Aldyngton, and of the prior and convent of Christchurch, Canterbury, as of their manor of Apuldore; a messuage and barn called Barnards, and 117 other acres of marsh land in Ivechurch, holden also as of the manors of Aldyngton, of Wyke, and of the master and brethren of Domus Dei, Dover, as of their manor of Honychild; a messuage and barn and 25 acres of land in the parish of Stone in the island of Oxney, Kent, holden also as of the manor of Aldyngton: a messuage and barn and 2 acres of land in Apuldore, holden in socage as of the manor of Apuldore; and a messuage, 2 barns, a mill-house, a stable, and 130 acres of land and wood called Goseburnes, in the parishes of Kenerton and Apuldore, Kent, holden as of the manor of Apuldore, and of the said escheator as of his manor of Kenerton.

Also 10 messuages, tenements, or cottages in the several tenures of Chris. Shorte, Katherine Fryday, Thos. Bonstoule, Alex. Maryott, Robt. Willes, John Daberd, Thos. Turnebull, Thos. Lucas, and Miles Tokar, in the parish of St. Mary "att Ax," London, 12*s.* rent which Robt. Palmer pays to the King for a tenement, late of Thos. Oxebridge there, 2*s.* rent due from the fraternity of Fletchers, London, for a tenement called "le Fletchers Hall" there, and all other lands, &c. in the said parish, which belonged to the late monastery, or priory of Holy Trinity, commonly called Christischurche, London, now dissolved; as held by Nich. Hancocke, the late prior. To hold in fee by the annual rent of 12*s.* *Del.* Westm., 26 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 15.

19. Ric. Benson, King's chaplain. Presentation to the prebend of Huntyngton in Hereford Cathedral, *vice* Thos. Parker, dec. Otford, 22 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Sept.—P.S.

20. Wm. Woodward, rector of Dodeswell, Worc. dioc., and John Savage, rector of Quatte, Cov. and Lich. dioc. Licence to hold other benefices to the annual value of 60*l.* and be non-resident. The latter privilege is granted in consideration of their having been benefactors of the King's chaplain Edm. Boner, and being now old and infirm. Westm., 9 May, 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

21. John Pek, esquire of the Royal Body, and Nich. Pek, his son. To be, in survivorship, door-ward of Sandale castle, Yorks., and keeper of the little park there, on surrender of patent 23 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., granting the same offices to the said John alone *vice* James Ascue, dec. Oking, 23 July, 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

22. Wm. Hunt. To be keeper of the King's hand-guns and demy-hawks in the Tower of London; with 10*d.* a day from Easter 29 Hen. VIII. Canterberie, 6 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 Sept.—P.S.

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492. Sir Richard Gresham, Lord Mayor of London, to Henry VIII.*

Cleop. E. iv. 222. B. M. Burnet, vi. 218. Strype's Eccl. Mem. i. i. 409.

Near and within the city of London there are three hospitals, St. Mary's Spytell, St. Bartholemew's, and St. Thomas', and also the new abbey of Tower Hill, founded and endowed for the aid of poor and impotent people, not to maintain canons, priests and monks to live in pleasure. Requests that the mayor and aldermen may have the rule of them. *Signed.*

P. 1, *open sheet. Add.*

493. Cambridge, Austin Friars.

R. O.

Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in co. Camb., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof.————(*blank*) 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Hardyman, prior, *and three others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 14.]

Without seal.

494. Cambridge, Black Friars.

R. O.

Surrender (by Greg. Doddes, prior, &c.) of the priory and all its possessions in co. Camb., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. ————(*blank*) 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Gregorius Dodus, prior, Robertus Parens, subprior, *and* 14 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 14.]

Without seal.

495. Cambridge, Grey Friars.

R. O.

Surrender of the wardenry or house and all its possessions in co. Camb. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. —— (*blank*), 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Whyte, warden, Thos. Dysse, doctor Robt. Whight, doctor, John Fakun, vice-warden, *and* 20 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 14.]

Without seal.

496. University of Cambridge to Henry VIII.

Add. MS. 5873, f. 95. b. B. M.

Beg him to give to the University one of the dissolved monasteries, and found a college as an eternal monument of his name. The Vice-Chancellor will tell him by word of mouth what a benefit it would be to the university if he would give them the Franciscan convent, where their assemblies were formerly held. Pray for his preservation and that of prince Edward. "Orator Th. Smithus."

Modern copy. Lat. pp. 3.

1 Oct. **497.** Henry VIII to John Frederic Duke of Saxony.

Seckendorff, iii. 180.

For some months Francis Burgratus, Vice-Chancellor, George a Boyneburg, LL.D., and Frederic Myconius, your and the Landgrave of Hesse's ambassadors, have been with us, and given evidence of such sound erudition and Christian piety that we feel assured hope of good results. As the matter of our negociations concerns the glory of Christ, and the discipline of

* This letter seems to have been written before the 11 August (*see* No. 72); but the evidence of its date was not observed in time enough to insert it in its proper place.

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religion, it requires mature deliberation. The ambassadors will report the agreement we have come to, and we hope you will send us Philip Melanchthon and other learned men to conclude the matter. From our palace near London, kal. Oct. 1538.

Lat.

1 Oct. **498.** Anabaptists.

Wilkins, III. 836.

Royal commission to Thos. abp. of Canterbury, John bp. of London, Richard bp. of Chichester, John Skipe, archd. of Dorset, Nich Heathe, archd. of Stafford, Thos. Thurlebie, archd. of Ely, and Ric. Gwent, archd. of London, King's chaplains, Robt. Barnes, S.T.D., and Edw. Croome, S.T.D., or any three or four of them, to search for and examine Anabaptists, receive back into the Church such as renounce their error, hand over those who persist in it to the secular arm for punishment, and destroy all books of that detestable sect. 1 Oct. 1538, 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Cromwell.*

Latin.

1 Oct. **499.** Sir Brian Tuke to Cromwell.

R. O.

I perceive by my clerks that the agents of Bernardo de Mela have showed your Lordship that I, for payment of his annuity, desire a *liberate* dormant, and you think it not needful. *Liberates* be a new thing in this office, for till late there were no letters patents payable but in courts of record; but nowadays men will have patents even upon the King's own purse in his privy chamber, insomuch as I suppose I pay not so few as 100 patentees. It was sufficient to know the King's pleasure by mouth, message or token: now they be for the most part during life, and many by patent, and, if by warrant, they be for surety directed to the treasurer that is or shall be, "as if the treasurer that is would be so mad to deliver his warrant to any that may succeed him." I must have something to show for myself, and am contented only with a *liberate*, which he may have for 2*s.* 6*d.*, or dormant for 6*s.* 8*d.* if it be during life. Your Lordship wrote me to reckon what he had received of Mr. Gostwik, and pay him what remained due upon his letters patents, of which I never heard before, but always paid him by virtue of your letters as a reward. Being certified by Robert Lord, in Mr. Gostwik's absence, of his payments, I paid what remained due, and showed him for future payments to sue a *liberate*. My lord Chancellor hearing your Lordship had written to me, "like a great wise counsellor that would not I should have two discharges for one matter," lest I might take double allowance, denied him the *liberate*. I only desire what I may keep for my discharge, and so I told him to show your Lordship or my lord Chancellor. At my poor house besides Havering, 1 Oct. 1538.

Hol. pp. 2. *Add:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Oct. **500.** H. Earl of Worcester to Cromwell.

R. O.

Has accomplished the King's and Cromwell's letters for the payment of Sir Thos. Spert's duty of the value of the *Valentyne* of London with her freight. Desires credence for Spert, who has the Earl's writing testimonial. Chepstow, 1 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd. inaccurately:* "The busshopp of Worcestre.

1 Oct. **501.** Aylesbury, Grey Friars.

R. O. Rymer. XIV. 611.

Surrender (by the warden and friars, who "do profoundly consider that the perfection of a Christian living, doth not consist in dumb ceremonies, wearing of a grey coat, disguising ourself after strange fashions, ducking and becking, in girding ourselves with a girdle full of knots, and other like

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papistical ceremonies, wherein we have been most principally practised and misled in times past;" and who are determined henceforth to follow Christ and his evangelists, conforming themselves to the will of the King, their Supreme head, and renouncing the superstitious traditions of any forinsical potentate) of the house and all its possessions; with a petition for the King's licence to the inmates to change their habits and receive such livings as other secular priests are preferred to. 1 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Hen. Mertyn, warden, Wm. Mey, vice-warden, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 8.]

In English. Seal mutilated.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll. p.* 5, *no.* 6] without mem. of acknowledgment.

R. O. 2. Rental of the Possessions of the late priory of the Grey Friars at Aylesbury.

A close of 6 acres containing a pond called the Moote, demised to John Bassett, 30*s.* 8*d.*; 15 other fields, gardens, &c. of small value, with the names of those to whom they are demised; and the site of the late priory, worth 10*s.*

Total, 6*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* Tenth, 12*s.* 3*d.*

Memoranda in another hand. The wood upon the said Friars, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* "The true copy of the book examined by Mr. Wm. Candyshe, auditor." The King's session house in Aylesbury must have a new roof of lead: if the King will give 10 "fooder" of lead Sir John Baldwyn will bear the remaining cost.

Lat. Pp. 2, *large paper.*

1 Oct. **502.** Lynn, Grey Friars.

R. O. Surrender of the wardenry or house and all its possessions in Norfolk and elswhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 1 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Edm. Brygat, warden, *and nine others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 30.]

Faded. Without seal.

1 Oct. **503.** Coventry, White Friars.

R. O. Surrender (by Hugh Burtley,* prior, and the convent) to John London
Rymer. XIV. 612. clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. John Gett and Thos. Gyfte, laymen, to be attorneys to receive and deliver the same. 1 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Hugh Burnby *and* 13 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 18.]

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 9.] without mem. of acknowledgment.

1 Oct. **504.** Lord Butler and Lord Leonard Grey.

R. O. "A breviate of lord Butler's book dated the first day of October."

Declares his continual service to the Deputy. Never attempted to be his own bailey in revenging himself upon the King's subjects, but only upon his Irish enemies. The order taken lately by the Council between the Deputy, Ossory and Butler, that the Deputy should desist from maintaining OKarroll and Conyll OMore's sons, being Geraldines, and compel the former to deliver certain castles in Ormond to Ossory, if he exhibited sufficient title (which he has done), is not kept. A hosting was proclaimed upon McMorow and his kinsmen the Kevenaghes, and Butler entered the country and completely defeated McMorow five days before the Deputy came. When

* So in the text, but the signature is distinctly Burnby. On the Close Roll it is Burteley, which is misprinted Huteley in Rymer.

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the Deputy arrived Butler put himself under his command. One night in camp the Treasurer and Chief Justice went with him to the Deputy, with whom were Wm. Sayntloo, John Eysham, John Felde, Browne, Garland, and others. The Deputy said "they handled him like no honest men." The Chief Justice asked why, and he retorted "Torde in thy teeth and torde in thy knave's teeth." The Treasurer begged him to consider that the Chief Justice was one of the King's Council; whereupon the Deputy said to him: "Torde in thy precious knave's teeth, I defy you all. I know you all well enough." Then lord Butler, after desiring the bystanders to depart, told the Deputy that, as he handled them so, they would, when the journey was over, keep away from his presence till they knew the King's further pleasure. The Justice also said "My Lord, now I see that such persons as the King's Highness hath put in most trust to counsel and advise you, your Lordship hath them in disdain and hatred," and that he would follow no counsel but that of "the traitors Gerald McGerald, John Felde, Garland, and their complices." Then Butler wished they had all been before the King and his Council in England, "on the condition that he were indebted in 500*l.*" The Deputy answered that there was no need to trouble the King, but he, the Deputy, wished the lord Privy Seal were there to hear them. What he meant is "uncertain," but if his Lordship had been there no man in Ireland should have had power to do him displeasure. Finally McMorow, Moryartagh McArte Boy, Cayher McArte, and all the Kevenaghes submitted and promised a yearly rent. The pretensed earl of Desmond has wasted lord Roche's country, contrary to the letters of the Deputy and Council. It is suspected he has secret intelligence with the Deputy, for he shows no towardness of obedience, and practises to strengthen himself.

Pp. 3, *in Robert Cowley's hand.*

1 Oct. **505.** Honor Lady Lisle to [Dr. Thirleby].

R. O. "Right worshipful sir," I thank you for the great pains you took here, and was not so glad for your fair passage as sorry for your departure; "but my lord of Winchester and you will do nothing after a woman's advice." I thought surely your horses were not yet come. Writes as his servant and scholar to ask how many pounds of sugar must go to how many pounds of "quynchys barbarance and damsyns, or plummes," for she has clean forgotten. Now the time of quinces is come and she would fain be doing. Calais, 1 Oct. *Signed.*

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1 Oct. **506.** Wriothesley to Cromwell.

R. O. Has nothing important to write, but by the opportunity of this messenger reports his good health. Had intended to lie at Dunkirk on Sunday night but remained, by advice, at Calais and took his journey yesterday morning. Was ill-handled by his enemy between Dunkirk and this town, but went to bed on his arrival and, forcing himself into a great sweat, is this morning well. Intends to be with the Queen within two days. Hears she is at Brussels, but some say she removes towards Compiegne today. Apparently the meeting is but a matter of banquet, for he hears that all the Council remain still at Brussels. The horse he got at Calais must serve him till he gets to Court, for there is no post. Looks hourly to hear from Mr. Vaughan. Desires that my lord Deputy and Mr. Porter be thanked for his entertainment. The latter has sent him a pretty nag after him. Newporte, 1 Oct., 6 a.m.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

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1 Oct. **507.** THOS. THEABOLD to CROMWELL.

Nero B. vi. 132. B. M.

Fears that the accidental sending of villanous Italian verses in his last letter has brought him into disgrace with Cromwell. Recounts how a German showed him some verses against the Pope and Cardinals, which he desired a scrivener to copy, and the man by mistake copied the others as well. Is afraid to write again.

Andreas Dorias has joined the Venetians with 50 good gallèys, and as many ships, with 12,000 selected warriors. They have circumvented the Turkish navy so that they must either fight, or abandon their ships. News from Bohemia and Germany (as in his letter to Cranmer No. 509).

Since writing last has twice spoken with Myhel Frognorton. The first time he was merrily disposed and boasted how he had deceived Cromwell and Morison "when he was in England in message from his master,"* thinking that, but for his crafty and subtle conveyance, Cromwell would have beheaded him, not considering that he is a person whose life can neither hinder nor farther the King or Cromwell, or that they would violate the security of a messenger. Finds him much simpler and of less discretion than he thinks himself. Believes he is in more credence and trust than authority with his master. "The second time was the 18th day of August, rathe in a morning, clothed in a coat of wolf skins and a cap of mail, as pale as ashes, blowing and puffing like unto a raging lion." He said he had not slept all night. The cause was that one Harry Phillęps, sometime student in Lovayn, when he betrayed "good Tyndall," had come out of Flanders, either driven by poverty to ask help of Pole, or because of evil behaviour. But as he was arrayed like a "Svycer" or a ruffling man of war, with a pair of Almain boots, and said he came on foot and that three weeks before he was in Flanders, the people, thinking they perceived he had worn spurs, and for other suspicions, concluded he had been sent by Cromwell to destroy Pole or be a spy on him. Asked how one could venture such a deed alone in a strange country. He said that when his master rode out as usual with five or six horses unarmed, he might destroy him with the help of three or four hardy fellows and escape to the mountains in four hours. But this is the Italians' practice, or poison. Believes a gentleman of Venice was the chief author of this suspicion. They thought that the King would expect Pole, when he heard that his younger brother was in the Tower (which the writer feigned not to have known before), to publish books in revenge, which (they reckon) he fears more than all the world besides. His master, he said, had books lying by him, which if they came forth would cause heaven and earth to quake. Pole has "defended" Phillips the whole dominion of the Venetians. After leaving, as he despaired of succour in these parts, he asked Pole to give him something toward his costs and write a letter of commendation for him to the bp. of Leuke, but they would not even write in answer, suspecting that he wanted a letter to show in England as a proof that he had been there. At his departure thence they advised him to come hither, telling him an English student was here, of whom, perhaps, he might have comfort; but Frognorton was here almost as soon as he, found out where he lodged, and beset the gates to know which way and with whom he went, for they suspected his adherents to be either here or in Venice. The said English student refused to help him, and mentioned Theabold. On which Phillips departed out of the town, for he feared he might have procured him some displeasure. For, three years ago, passing through Lovayn toward High Almain, Theabold had insinuated himself into familiar acquaintance with Phillips to know what practice he went about with Tyndal, "persuading him that I would tarry and by his exhortation to be in with him; wherefore he believing me did commu[nicate unt]o me of the . . . . . was intended."

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Afterwards hearing that Theabold was gone to Hie Almayn, and was belonging to my lord of Canterbury, Phillips accused him of being a spy and a messenger sent into Germany about some practices and caused watch to be laid for him between Antwerp and Colleyn for three or four months.

Made great difficulty with Frognorton about meddling in the matter. In three or four hours he returned somewhat merrier, having done off his wolf skins and cap of mail, "remitting also his fierce countenance and old fox's conditions and conveyances, being returned again to the nature of a young sheep." He had found out that Phillips was in necessity, and had no company here and had not gone to Venice. In that he deceived them, for he was there two days, and would have seen Harvell, but he was in the country, and he only got 12*d.* or 20*d.* from two English merchants' servants by way of alms. Afterwards he came to Theabold pretending great repentance and desiring pardon. Said that private matters were already [re]mitted, but he could not dissemble his public offences, to God, his p[rince], and his country. Advised him to return and sue for pardon, which he said he would do, imputing all that is past to the lightness of his youth and evil counsel. He complained of Pole's unkindness. Made him no great answer, not knowing what practises he has in his heart. In conclusion he said he would return to Flanders, to make means to Cromwell for remission. Before going he sold his doublet of velvet and damask in sundry colours, and his cloak of English cloth. Frognorton is now persuaded he was not appointed to destroy his master, but thinks he must have been a spy. If they had known of his having been at Venice, they would have been persuaded that their imaginations were true. Has been at Ferrara and during his absence Frognorton came again to speak with him.

Hears that Pole and Card. Contarenus removed on St. Michael's Day to Tervil near Venice and will go to Rome. Asked Frognorton whether the Pope did not seek some means to dysple[ase] England, but he said he feared the Turk more, who, but for the Emperor and Venetians, is like to occupy his possessions both in Italy and adjoining, and, besides, he is not so quick and earnest in revenging himself on England as his master would have him, but he hoped that within six months or a year they would be revenged or never, by excommunications and stopping mercantile intercourse, if this peace between the Emperor and French king is confirmed. He said also that James off Poel had gone to Rome to seek his master, but they suspected him as they did Phillips, and would cause him to forsake these parts.

Thinks they have a very weak and slender faith and also little hope in Christ and of the life to come, seeing this mortal security does so move and torment them. Fears "they labour of the common heresy of all those Italians which seem to be of great learning or worldly wisdom, that is, felicity to be in this carnal body and morta[l], and so the soul to perish with the body." As for the Pope, thinks the heads and chiefs, in other causes tha[n] temporal commodities and profits, have no manner of good estimation of him. The common people are, out of measure, superstitions for lack of knowledge. Of the middle sort many give themselves to the study and promotion of the truth, speaking and reasoning liberally.

Heard at Ferrara a friar, who had been forbidden in other places, preach liberally about justification and predestination. He is had in great reverence by the Duchess,* who seems to be equal or to pass her sister, the queen of Navarre, in promoting and following God's word. Gives an account of her Court, as in his letter to Cranmer. Encloses a copy of the Italian verses, mentioned in the same letter. Padua, 1 Oct.

Encloses a figure printed of the besetting and enclosing of the Turk's army by the Venetians and the Emperor's navy. It was given him by a gentleman of Almain, to whom it was sent from Venice.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* The duchess Renée. *See* note on next page.

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1 Oct. **508.** THOMAS THEABOLD to the EARL OF WILTSHIRE.

R. O. Encloses a letter, unsealed, to my lord Privy Seal written in excuse for a mistake that he committed in his last. Dares not write his Lordship any more letters till informed by the Earl's or his brother's letters, how his Lordship takes it. Mr. Pole, as he has written to Cromwell, has left for Rome. Has obeyed his Lordship's instructions not to visit him, though solicited by Frognorton, who was the more desirous of his acquaintance, as he made honest excuses, whereas if he had offered to come they would have thought him a spy. Has had no communication with him except for the purposes mentioned in his letter to my lord Privy Seal. Padway, 1 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Earl of Wiltshire and Ormond. *Endd.*

[1 Oct.] **509.** THOS. THEABOLD to CRANMER.

Nero. B. VI. 120. B. M. Wrote in his last letters that the Bohemians would not grant any money to Ferdinand against the Turk, but would find him a certain number of soldiers as long as they see cause. Hears they now refuse men also, saying they have helped him in the past to their great impoverishment and no profit, and will not commit either their treasure or themselves to him unless he take better order. The Princes would not let Ferdinand's son, who was born in Bohemia last Lent, leave the country, and only consented to send him to Isbrocke on condition that he was restored to them in two years. He has written to the bp. of Trent, his chancellor and governor of Tyrol, to bring him his two eldest sons. All the help that certain cities and princes had sent towards Hungary, were by Ferdinand sent back again, because the Turk withdrew his army, but a young gentleman of Tyrol has arrived with the news that the Turk is coming again with a greater army than he had before, "which Vivade, fearing, should fly to Verdynande." Hears that 300 or 400 of the Spaniards who went from Milan to Hungary were drowned in crossing the Danube, "for the loss of the which most cruel nation the Germans do take as much thought as they would for the Pope and all his Cardinals, if they were in like manner rebaptised."

Luther has written a very vehement letter in Dutch against the bp. of Mens, and the duke of Saxon has published another against him. The cause thereof is that the Landgrave and others, who were chosen to determine the controversy between them for the city of Halle, of which Theabold wrote at Easter, judged the Bishop to pay a great sum to the duke of S[axony] Elector. The Bishop collected the sum by taxes and dismes, complaining to the people of tyranny and bringing the Duke into great hatred, and when he had obtained it and taken the jewels and relics of monasteries and churches, he refused to stand by the award. Fears he trusts too much to the bp. of Rome and the General Council, which, Theabold reckons, will deceive him. Supposes Cranmer will hear this and other news from Reynard Wolfe from Frankfort fair.

Has been at Ferrare, 50 English miles hence, with letters of commendation from Hie Alemayne to a German who is physician to the Duchess "and soster unto the Frenche kyng."* She has him in great honour and favour both for his knowledge in his faculty and other things, but specially in the Gospel, which she favours and maintains as much and sincerely as can be desired, passing her sister the queen of Navarre. A French doctor of divinity daily preaches before her, and also for half an hour after dinner interprets a piece of the Old Testament in French, at which all her gentlewomen and servants must be present after the fashion of a school or place of religion. Was present at two sermons, which pleased him as much as any he had ever heard in Almayne or elsewhere, for her preacher is of excellent learning and of great eloquence and grace in his language, and of a very sober judgment. Was not allowed to

* The duchess Renée, daughter of Louis XII., was sister of Claude, first queen of Francis I.

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dine or sup out of the Court while he was there. Was so commended to the Duchess by the preacher, because he came from Almain, and for the gospel's sake, that she sent to offer him hospitality and assistance as long as he stayed. The Duke does not greatly favour the truth, but he suffers her to do what she will. Most of her court are Frenchmen and Almayns. She has obtained from the Duke licence to preach in Ferrara for a friar who for his liberal preaching has been "defended" in other places. Heard one sermon in which he treated of justification and predestination liberally and sincerely. Was half moved to have stayed in Ferrara this winter, but here is nearer to Venice where he can hear news from all parts. His place of residence depends on Cranmer's will.

Mr. Pole departed on St. Michael's Day with Cardinal Contarenus for Tervil, near Venice. He will stay there till Thursday and then go to Venice, and then by water to Ferrara and so to Rome. Mr. Pole has been very much afraid for this last fortnight, but it was nothing but a fantasy engendered by continual fear for his holy body and delicate flesh, "which is as yet nothing mortified, nor his spirit regenerate," and also of a false and cruel suspicion he has of the King and Council. One Harry Phillyps, a knave who betrayed Tyndall, came hither from Flanders to sue to him. Being newly informed of his brother's imprisonment, and seeing Phillyps arrayed like a Switzer or a man of war, and taking him in a lie or two, he judged that he was suborned by the Council, either to destroy him or at least search what he did, especially whether he was bringing out any book against the King. He therefore forbade him his house and the whole dominion of Venice. Myhel Frognerton came hither to see whether he were here and whether he had any aid for the accomplishment of their foresaid dream, besetting all Padwaye to find out, and he was arrayed and armed like a man of war for fear. When Theabolde spoke with him he was so troubled and dism[a]yd that his life was half gone from him, and he wanted Theabold to help him in his inquiry. Pretended he knew nothing of the fellow, though he had been that morning to Mr. Bokeler to borrow money, and hearing that Theabold was there, begged Bokeler not to let him know, fearing he would do him some displeasure. He believed Theabold had gone about to take him three years ago when he passed through Lovayn towards Almayn. After going to Venice for help in vain, he applied to Theabold, pretending great repentance. Advised him to sue for pardon and grace, and he said he would return to Flanders and submit himself. Thinks he is rather gone to the wars. Before he left he sold his doublet and cloak. Frognorton says James off Poell has come to Rome to find his master, who, having heard of his behaviour, suspects him and will send him away. "Every wagging of a straw maketh them now afraid." Thinks his going to Rome is only for fear lest some displeasure should be prepared against him here. At his departing from Almayne towards Italy, in August, wrote about this Jas. Poell and other matters. Michael told him his master was not content with the Pope for being so slow in prosecuting his vengeance against England, but if this peace between the Emperor and the French king did stand, the Pope and his master would make the King and Council, chiefly Cranmer, weary of the realm in half a year, without sending an army, by excommunication and interdicts. Said the Pope had done his best already, which he denied, as in France he could not publish it or have it executed, but with this peace he can publish it in Spain, France and Flanders, confiscate the English merchants' goods, stop their intercourse and use them as infidels, which will stir the commons against the King and Council. His master will also publish works against the King and Council, "in the which I doubt not but they will declare their malicious and venomous hearts and wills, more than, I trust, they shall have power to bring any part of them to effect."

Asks Cranmer to cause his friends to send him his bank. By the last post wrote to lord Privy Seal, in a very unhappy hour as it chanced. While

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writing, a Hye Almayne of his acquaintance read to him some verses by a Venetian poet against the Pope and Emperor. As they seemed to him very liberal, and he has heard said that my Lord understands Italian, gave them to a scrivener to copy. Told him to omit certain other verses of vile matter which was with them, but, being no good Italian, was misunderstood, and so the whole was accidentally sent. Begs Cranmer to make his excuses.

Andreas Dorias has joined the Venetians very well appointed. They have circumvented the Turk's navy, so that he must either fight or else fly by land and forsake his ships. The Christian navy is in hopes of a great victory. The cardinal Pisane, bishop of Padwaye, set up on the door of the Grey Friars church an exhortation to abbots, parsons, &c., to take heed of Luther's heresies which might spring under their cure. In derision an Italian scholar incontinently set up these verses enclosed. Padwaye, Tuesday after St. Michael's Day.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add.*

1 Oct. **510.** [THE DUKE OF LORRAINE] to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. II. 87. Adv. Lib. Edin.

I have received two letters from you and am very glad you are well and well treated by the King, your husband. I hope you will be still more so from day to day. Wishes her soon a *beau fylz*. Would like some hackney from Scotland "pour porter la goute a son ayse." Bar le Duc, 1 Oct. *Signed:* Anth'e.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*: Le Duc de Lorraine.

1 Oct. **511.** NICHOLAS UDALL (or UVEDALE).

See GRANTS in OCTOBER No. 1.

2 Oct. **512.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 381.

Asks him to write to Vaughan to send home Mrs. Hutton, if she may come without danger of the law, bringing only her apparel, leaving the rest of the goods till Cromwell's pleasure is known. Lambeth, 2 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

513. CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 381.

Wrote lately on behalf of Mrs. Hutton, and now repeats his wish expressed in his letter of Oct. 2, that he would write to Vaughan to send her home. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. **514.** WILLIAM SANDWYCHE,* WARDEN of CANTERBURY COLLEGE, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has paid an annuity of 40*s.* a year due to the King's College of Oxford for which he has been obliged to pledge the college plate, because his master, the prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, will not pay nor allow him for the

* Mentioned by Wood as a Benedictine monk who was admitted B.A. in 1524, and supplicated for the degree of D.D. (whether granted or not does not appear) in 1540, when he was "now or lately" warden of Canterbury College. But no further information is given.

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said annuity. Asks Cromwell to command the prior to see him discharged and the said annuity continually paid, or else this poor college is now undone. Oxford, 2 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. **515.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. L.'s Remains 401.

Touching Mr. Wattwoode, Cromwell knows what he has to do. He was put up at Latimer's visitation as a lecher, a fighter and a disquieter of his company,* and he cannot get him to answer thereunto. He bears himself very boldly towards Cromwell and disregards Latimer's injunctions, as Cromwell will see from the enclosed letter from his company. Writes nothing of him but what he dare avow. Asks him to set some good order in the college. At "Hartl." 2 Oct.

Pp. 2, *Hol. Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. **516.** HENRY LORD STAFFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. iii. 110.

On Michaelmas even last, at night, a servant of his brought from Chartleye, from one Bagotte, servant to Lord Ferrers, Cromwell's letter, dated 28 Aug., for the writer to remove the idol called of ignorant persons Saint Erasmus. Next morning early he sent for it and so used it that no man shall thereby offend in idolatry hereafter. Had Cromwell's letter come sooner it should not have been so long undone. At my poor house nigh Stafford, 2 Oct. *Signed:* He. Stafford.

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2 Oct. **517.** NEWSTEAD (near Glanford Brigg) PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 604.

Surrender (by Rob. bp. of Llandaff, commendatory master of the Order of Sempingham, and by the prior and convent) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Linc., York, and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches, 2 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Hobson, prior, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 33.]

Fair Seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *no.* 42] as acknowledged same day before Wm Peter, LL.D.

2 Oct. **518.** GREY FRIARS, SALISBURY.

R. O.

Surrender of the house by the warden and convent to the lord Visitor, 2 Oct. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by* John Burthamus "baccalarius," Thos. Man "bacca.", Wm. Hedyng "W.," Thos. Poope, Wm. Yong, Wm. Turnar, Wm. Newman, Ynicencius Tutty, Bartrandus Byllyng *and* Robt. Walkar.

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2. Indenture of the stuff of the Grey Friars, Salisbury, received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to John Shaxton and John Goodale, bailey of Salisbury, for the King.

In the Choir:—The high altar, a table of imagery, gilt, &c. Church:—poor altars, one alabaster. Steeple:—2 bells, one "a fair bell." Vestry:—5 laten candlesticks, a "golden cope with the offeras imagery," white, blue, green, and black copes, altar cloths &c.

In the freyter, parlour, and hall, a few articles of furniture.

Besides this there is sold to pay the debts, 3 suits of vestments, and 4 copes, all poor, for 10*l.*, also a pair of organs, broken, 2 candlesticks, and the stuff of the chambers, which was very poor, for 4*l.* 2*s.* The debts drew 19*l.*, great part being to brewers and others for

* Of Warwick College.

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necessaries, and the rest to the warden: 11*l.* 12*d.* satisfied all. The Visitor has for the King 59*s.* and 278 oz. of silver. The evidences are in the vestry. The Visitor paid his own charges and departed, after being three days here.

Signatures copied of Shaxton and Goodale.

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2 Oct. **519.** Black Friars, Salisbury.

R. O. Surrender of the house by the prior and convent to the lord Visitor, 2 Oct. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by* John Hesskyns, prior, John Cherilsaw (?) Lewis Momeri, Thos. Browne, Wm. Preston, Thos. Wardan, Ralph Coke, John Roby, Roger Phylyps, John Bentley, Richard Stonys, John Buttler, Henry Crosse, and Peter Treurna.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Black Friars, Salisbury, received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal for the King's grace, and given to John Shaxton and John Goodale, bailey of Salisbury, for the King.

The choir:—Candlesticks, &c., amongst which are "an eagle and 2 great candlesticks, laten, the which Father Browne claimeth, but this 12 years they have been there in the inventory of the convent before; wherefore I would not allow that. He had them away, but I caused him to bring them again." A pair of organs. The church:—11 altars, 2 of them tables, 3 imagery, 1 double table of alabaster, 1 large altar with St. Barbara in the midst, alabaster, &c. The chapel by the choir:—An old chest, &c. and in the steeple 2 bells. The vestry:—2 fair chests, stoles for chaunters with bullizans copper; "a table, and on it a suit of vestments, priest, deacon, and sub-deacon, velvet, with many small pearls on it, the offeras with beres and castelles very precious," &c., and suits of white and coloured silk and single vestments. The kitchen:—4 brass pots, &c. Also in bakehouse, hall, buttery, and chambers, a few small items.

Besides the above was sold to pay the debts, 4 old feather beds and some kitchen stuff, &c., for 3*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* Debts were above 80*l.*, "but all the substance was to the prior, so that the prior and all was satisfied with 8*l.* 16*s.*" The evidences are in a chest in the vestry. The Visitor has laid out 5*l.* 3*d.* beyond what he received here. Took away 303 ounces of silver which belonged to the house, and so paid his own charges, and is departed after three days being here.

Signatures copied of John Saxton (*sic*) and John Goodale.

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2 Oct. **520.** The Scotch Borders.

Add. MS. 32,646, f 115. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 48. A device for the reformation of the inhabitants of the Debateable Land, who are occasioners of great evil in the West and Middle Marches of England and Scotland; made by the warden and deputy warden of both realms, with their councils, at Tollercrike, in the Debateable Land, 2 Oct., 1538.

Four items providing for redress of offences committed by Englishmen or Scotchmen dwelling within the Debateable Land; for delivery of rebels taking refuge there; for lists of the names of either nationality there to be delivered within 20 days, the Scotch to the deputy warden, and the English to the warden; and for these articles to hold good until either party give twenty days' notice to the contrary. *Signed.:* Thomas Whartton.

Endd.

2 Oct. **521** Wriothesley and Vaughan to Bonner and Browne.

R. O. This day, about 6 p.m., we two met together in Antwerp, where we received your letter, by which we perceived you had not then spoken with the French king, but had arranged to declare your charge to him, as the Con-

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stable's letter also shows. Today the queen of Hungary departed from Brussels towards Compiegne. On Friday morning last, 27 Sept., she arranged to give Vaughan an answer on the following day to his declaration made on behalf of the lord Privy Seal, but afterwards put him off till Tuesday following, at which time he pressed her sore but failed in his purpose, "for she wringed herself so from me, that I could have no conference." On this, I departed to meet Wriothesley at Antwerp, and concluded that, besides being ill inclined to the King's purpose she had not sufficiently discussed with her Council what answer she should make. To-morrow we mean to repair to her and press for an immediate audience. Antwerp, 2 Oct., 7 p.m.

Copy, p. 1. *In Bonner's hand. Headed:* The copy of Mr. Wrisley's and Mr. Vaughan's letter sent to us.

2 Oct. **522.** Covos and Granvelle to Luis Sarmiento.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 243. B. M.

Their last letters from Valladolid will show the Emperor's resolution about the enterprise against the Turk. Arrival of a gentleman* from the queen of France, who expressed the great satisfaction of Francis at the peace, and brought proposals of marriages (see No. 407). The bp. of Tarbes come as ambassador. Duke of Savoy. The Emperor left Valladolid on Sunday, 22nd ult., for Toledo, to hold the *Cortes*. Cadahalso, 2 Oct. *Signed:* Covos—Perrenot.

Spanish, pp. 5. *Headed:* 1538. *Modern Copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar*, VI. i., *No.* 17.]

3 Oct. **523.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

I have caused saddle and harness to be made for Mr. James' nag. As for his prebend, Mr Popley will be here in eight days, and I shall conclude with him. It shall be offered to Fawkner, if he will have it, but I think Mr. Waddham will scantly be removed. I wrote at large by Warley. The prior† goes to Calais there to recant things by him mis-spoken, and so doing my lord of Canterbury and of the Privy Seal promise him favour. I trust you have remembered the "fenestres" of St. Nicholas' church, for those at Thomas of Akers are already new glazed. London, 3 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

3 Oct. **524.** [Sir] William Sydney to Cromwell.

R. O. Nichols' Edw. VI. I. xxxiv.

I have received your letters for me to signify to you the ability of my wife's sister for the room of the Prince's dry nurse, to weigh the charge that shall be committed to her and to write plainly if I thought the thing meet for her. I doubt not but that she is every way an apt woman for the same, and there shall be no lack of good will in her. Haveryng of the Boore, 3 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add*: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Oct. **525.** Grey Friars, Bedford.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 610.

Surrender, worded in the same terms as No. 501, 3 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Me. . . r warden, Thos. Roberts, vice-warden *and* 11 *others* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 9.]

In English. Without seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 7.] without mem. of acknowledgment

* The Sieur de Lordres. *See* Spanish Calendar VI. i. pp. 12, 45, 48.
† Prior Dove.

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3 Oct. **526.** Dr. John London to Cromwell.

R. O. I have committed the custody of the friars of Aylesbury to Mr. Geffrey, the King's servant, according to His Grace's pleasure and yours. The house, beside the plate and lead, was little worth, and scarce able to dispatch them honestly; so he need be charged only with the lead, the house, and the iron in the church windows; I must account for the residue. Now I have taken the surrender of the Grey Friars in Bedford. I kept Mr. Geffreys to help me till I got Mr. Gostwik, with whom, according to your pleasure, after I have dispatched them, I will leave the house. Would God he had the perpetual custody, for if sickness happen in his house* he has, I hear, no other to resort to. This is a pretty house of plate, jewels, and other nccessaries, and they have long used husbandry. They intended to make away all, and sold their cart and horses within these 14 days. When I came I found six threshers in one end of a barn, and two in another, and "if moo myzt have stonde ther, moo shulde have be ther." With Mr. Gostwikke's help, I trust to make them all secular priests, for such friars I never met with. "To declare what persons many of them be beforetime at the very warden's hands, I chanced upon this bill enclosed." He had it in his sleeve and delivered it me instead of his inventory. It will move you to mirth. I trust to make a better inventory to the King's use than this bill, and then repair to the other places in this commission. iij° Octobris at Bedford.

I am glad you have been moved by Mr. Wriothesley or he went. The lease is made and a substantial deputy set there. Other things there be of which I will advertise you at my coming.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Oct. **527.** John Gostwyk to Cromwell.

R. O. Dr. London and I met, 2 Oct., at the Grey Friars in Bedford for the dissolution of the same. The warden had sold his house the Sunday before for 40*l.* to Sir John Seynt John, who I am assured has since surrendered it to the King. I desire a gift of it to me and my heirs (annual value 5 marks), and will give you 40*l.* The King will have a great benefit there in lead and other things. Mr. Seynt John intends shortly to be at London about this. Willington, 3 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Oct. **528.** John Freman to Cromwell.

R. O. As it would be too tedious to you to read all the books of the nine abbeys lately dissolved, I send you a brief of them. As I have missed the farm of Ormesbie which you meant me to have, I am so bold as to sue for a greater—Bardnaye in Lincolnshire. I fear more the suit of my lord of Suffolk and Mr. Hennage than the furtherance of your Lordship. Lincoln, 3 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

R. O. 2. "A declaration of all such religious houses being of [the order] of Gilberdyns within Lincolnshire, lately suppressed," viz., St. Katharine's, Semperyngham, Haverholme, Cat[tl]ey, Bollyngton, Sixsyll, Alvingham, Ormesby, and Newstede.

Revenues, 1,407*l.*; pensions to priors, canons, and nuns, 574*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; remainder, 832*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The King is shrewdly charged with pensions, but has a good sort of benefices and, as they fall, may redeem a pension and give a benefice. Value of goods sold and unsold, deducting charges, 4,729*l.* 3*s.*

* Willington in Bedfordshire.

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When your Lordship* sends any commission to one house in a shire, you may as well send to all in that shire, "for they are in a readiness to surrender without any coming, and that doth appear by their acts, for they are in a customed sort all of spoil and bribery, as well the great houses as small, of all the religious houses in England; for they leave neither demesnes unlet nor honest stuff in their houses, but also minisheth the great part of their stock and store. Therefore they would be taken betime." Will return home to his "Lordship" as soon as he has finished the audit and receipt for the whole year past of the King's revenues in Lincolnshire.

In John Freman's hand, pp. 2.

3 Oct. **529.** MATTERSEY PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 619.

Surrender (by Robt. bp. of Llandaff, commendatory general master of the Order of Sempyngham, and by Thos., prior of Matersey, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in cos. Notts. and Linc., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 3 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Norman, prior, Thos. Bell, sub-prior, *and three others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 31.]

Seal much injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 31] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Petre, LL.D.

3 Oct. **530.** JOHN DAVY to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

A servant of the lord of Bridgewater, a son of Mr. Hugh Stucle, came to Toryton, on Michaelmas Eve, with a letter to John Butler, enclosing one from my lord of Hertford to lord Bridgewater. I send one and the copy of the other. You may know the truth this term by inquiring of friends from Gloucestershire. Exeter, 3 Oct.

Asks her not to make a grant of the church of Frydelstock, for he wishes to have a part of it with Sir John Sturgian.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* In Calais.

3 Oct. **531.** SOEUR ANTHOINETTE DE SAVEUSES to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Commend me to my lord Deputy. I thank you for the good cheer you made me when I was with you. Since my return from Calais, I sent you a *quannequin* of glass (? "de voerre") filled with *confitures* named *electuerre de vie*, which is good against rheum. I had made it for your husband. The gentleman who took it promised to return to Dunkirk, but it is five weeks since he left for Calais, and he has not come back. I was very glad to hear from you by token from Boulogne. I hear by the bearer that Madame de Riou is not yet brought to bed. God grant her a gracious travail. It has pleased Him to take away all my relations (*parrens*). I have only her whom I love like a sister, and I beg you, if you send thither, to let me have news of her. I send a little present of *mersivin* (?) and a little box. Dunkirk, eve of St. Francis.

Hol., Fr. p. 1. *Add.:* Madame Debitte de Callez.

4 Oct. **532.** WALTER LORD HUNGERFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O.

On the 3rd inst., the prior of Bathe sent to Farleygh for me to come and examine one of his monks who had accused another of certain words. I rode thither and examined him and the whole convent, but could learn

* Cromwell.

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532. Walter Lord Hungerford to Cromwell—*cont.*

nothing more than is herein enclosed. The prior and I have committed both monks to ward till your further pleasure be known. The bearer will inform you further. Farleygh, 4 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.* Anno. xxx°.

R. O. 2. Deposition of dan Richard Lynckombe, of the monastery and cathedral church of Bath, made before Sir Walter Hungerford, knight, lord Hungerford of Haytysbery, 3 Oct. 30 Henry VIII., as follows:—

The aforesaid day and year, as I walked in the orchard, Thomas Powell, chaunter of the church, "rebuked me in putting out of *regibus* and *principibus nostris*, because I made *Regi et principi nostro* in a book of the said chaunter's, where upon the reproving of the said book the said chaunter violently laid hands upon me, calling me knave and harlot, and said I did naught in the reproving of the said book." I said I would not hide this; for I thought him a traitor in so saying. *Signed by* Richard Lynkcomb.

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4 Oct. **533.** Bp. Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. Thanks for your kindness at my late being with your Lordship. I thank God I am returned to the marches in good health. I had much pain in my leg, "my bute frett the cutt soo sore," I would be glad to have the ointment your surgeon promised me. There was some stealing in my absence, "one thief upon another, and be gathered together 13 or 14." There were various surmises about my going to London. Montgomery Castle, 4 Oct.

Hol., P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

4 Oct. **534.** Jo. Uvedale to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs favour for the abbot of the late dissolved monastery of Croxstone Leic., who is not yet made sure of the pension promised him by Dr. Leigh at the surrender. To obtain the King's letters patent of the same he sends up the writer's cousin, John Uvedale, the bearer. It was at the writer's request that Cromwell first made him abbot. There remain in Yorkshire, 39 abbeys and priories "not of the lanest sort." Would like to see them dissolved or reformed. Darneton, 4 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Oct. **535.** Ralph Earl of Westmoreland to Cromwell.

R. O. Received, 29 Sept., Cromwell's letters dated at Westonhangre the 2nd touching a riot of which complaint is made to the Council, raised by Nicholas Tempest, at the command of Sir Thomas Tempest, who levied a number of the King's subjects under one Wheteleye and went to Wolsyngham, and stating that the King is displeased with the Earl that he looked no better on it. At the time this riot was supposed to be done, viz., 8 July, was hunting on his own ground in Northumberland. He did not know it till Friday after, when he was at his own house. Was then informed by Harrison, the King's servant, and sent immediately for my lord of Durham's chancellor with whom he appointed a sessions to be held at Wolsyngham and sent to Sir George Conyers, sheriff of the Bpric., to empanel a quest and meet us there; but my lord President then sat at York where the assize was also holden so that all the learned men were absent. On the eighth day after the justices of assize* sat at Awkelond. Informed them of what he had done and desired them to examine the matter, giving warning also to the bailiff of Wolsyngham. After

* Jenney and Hynde, as appears by § 2.

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the assizes the justices came to my house at Brauncepeth and we had the complainants and defendants before us, and the justices promised to report to the King; but as Cromwell commands him to certify the truth thereof, the Earl and my lord of Durham's chancellor have examined the matter again, as shown by the bills now sent up. Is grieved the King should suspect him of intelligence, either with Sir Thomas Tempest or with other. Has sent for Ric. Pemmertoun as commanded, and brought him before my lord President. He says he has lost the bill sent to him in the commotion time, but remembers the words thereof, which he has written out and put his hand to. Brauncepeth, 4 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

2. The examinations above referred to.

R. O. The saying of Nicholas Harrysoun of Wolsyngham, plaintiff, afore me and my lord of Durham's chancellor on Friday, 12 July 30 Henry VIII.

That Wm. Wheteley, keeper of Wolsingham Park, came on Monday 8 July to Wolsingham town, and in the name of Nicholas Tempest raised the persons hereunder written, and brought them with swords, bows, bills, &c. to Parsons close, where they found John Graunge mowing, and "discharged him from further mowing there." Names of those who went (in all 18). On Wednesday 10 July came Nich. Tempest himself to Wolsingham, to speak with my lord of Durham's chancellor, with 30 men. I examined the Chancellor, who said Tempest came with but four men.

(2.) Saying of John Graunge, plaintiff.

Was not mowing when the said 18 persons met him. Met them by chance and they asked whither he was bound. Said, to occupy his father's farmhold. Wheatley forbade him in Nicholas Tempest's name, saying his master, Nic. Tempest, would occupy it. Wheateley carried a bill and wore a steel cap; the others were mowers with scythes, &c.

(3.) Saying of Wm. Wheateley, defendant.

Denies coming with riotous company. Came alone with his hound, for he had been fetching in of two deer, and met the mowers and set them to work. Saw no bill but his own. Wore a "streyt cap" not a steel bonnet.

(4.) Saying of Nich. Tempest, defendant.

Gave no command to make an assembly, but to mow the ground peaceably.

On this I and the Bp.'s chancellor sent to the sheriff to impanel an inquest no this on Monday fortnight, at which time owing to the assize at York, and the sitting of my lord President and my fellows of the Council, there was no justice in the country but myself. Soon after the justices of assize, Mr. Jenneye and Mr. Hynde, came from York to Aukland, and I desired them to look into the matter for my discharge to the King and your Lordship. They did so and told me I had nothing further to do therein.

(5.) Examination of Roland Emerson, 1 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., before me and my lord of Durham's chancellor at Darlington, concerning the riot aforesaid.

On 8 July Wheateley brought 12 men to mow in Parsons close with bowes, staves, and scythes. (*Names of the* 12 *with the weapons each carried.*) They had no harness.

(6.) Examination of Cuthbert Burnehope, Wm. Marleye and Roland Colsoun, (*three of the* 12 *named*) 3 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. as before at Brauncepeth.

Burnehope says that on Sunday night, 7 July, Wheateley sent his daughter to bid him come to Parsons close in the morning to mow Mr. Tempest's meadow there. Had heard that whoever should mow the meadow should be beaten off the ground, and sent to ask if he should bring a weapon. Wheateley sent word again "howe weapon boded peas, therefore bring his weapon with him." Brought his bow and shafts.

Marley and Colson corroborate this.

Pp. 4. *In the hand of the earl of Westmoreland's clerk.*

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535. RALPH EARL OF WESTMORELAND to CROMWELL—*cont.*

ii. Enclosure in the above.

"To Stanhop in Wardayll."

"To take the oath of the Commons, to be sworn to be true to God and Holy Kirk and to the King, and for the common wealth of the community. Be me Rychert Pemertun."

Small paper, p. 1.

5 Oct. **536.** BISHOPRIC of HEREFORD.

See GRANTS in OCTOBER, No. 6.

5 Oct. **537.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. I perceive you have already suppressed certain friars' houses, and I trust your proceedings will extend to Canterbury, that the irreligious religion there may be extincted. As the Grey Friars, Canterbury, is very commodious for my servant, Thos. Cobham, brother to lord Cobham, I beg you will help him to the said house. Lambeth, 5 Oct. *Signed.*

Add.: My lord Privy Seal.

5 Oct. **538.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I received this day your letters by Schoryer and delivered them to my lord Privy Seal who said: "I am sure you know the contents of them." I replied I did not, but that they were for the town's affairs. I shall deliver the other letter to Kyllegrew and speak to Mr. Bonham, for Shoryer, at his coming. The six pieces of verdure you write of were delivered to Mr. Windsor by Seller, at the time my Lady lay last in, without my knowledge; but when I took the inventory I missed them. I then spoke to Mr. Windsor and my lady his wife for them and was told that a tapestry man had them a-mending, but they should always be ready when you sent for them. I never delivered the value of a pin without your knowledge. As for Mr. Wriothesley's promise, remembering what Mr. Sadler said to you in the hall of St. Augustine's in Canterbury, you shall know "that fair hests and promises of the Court are hely (*sic*) water." I shall lay the whole matter to him according to his promise. I think the Friar* be come to Calais to recant. Mr. Pollarde says you promised him a goshawk and a tassell; he would gladly have one or both. I think all the bishops will be here shortly. I trust you have received your "bocke" with my lord of Canterbury's letters. London, 5 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

5 Oct. **539.** COVENTRY, GREY FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender (in the same form as No. 501). 5 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.

Rymer XIV. 611. *Signed by* John Stafford, warden, *and* 10 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 17.]

In English. Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 5] without mem. of acknowledgment.

R. O. 2. Survey of the Grey Friars' church of Coventry.

The choir, 36 yds. by 10 yds. The Rood chapel, 3 yds. by $4\frac{1}{2}$ yds. St. Nicholas chapel, $11\frac{3}{4}$ yds. by 8 yds. The North valence 11 yds. by $7\frac{1}{2}$ yds. The South valence, $9\frac{1}{2}$ yds. by $7\frac{3}{4}$ yds. The body, $39\frac{1}{2}$ yds. by 10 yds. North aisle, 31 yds. by 5 yds. South aisle, $30\frac{3}{4}$ yds. by $4\frac{3}{4}$ yds. The whole church newly covered with lead within these 24 years. The house is in much ruin. Adjoining is an old manor of the King's called Chyldesmore, where they say Edward IV. kept a parliament. The hall is down but there is a proper park adjoining it, and the lodgings might be repaired with the tiles from the friary. The timber of the housing is stark nought, but the church roof is very good timber.

P. 1. *Endd.*

* Friar Dove.

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5 Oct. **540.** THE BAILIFFS, ALDERMEN, and COMMON COUNCIL of WORCESTER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thank him for his assistance in their suit for the friar houses in Worcester, which is not yet fully obtained, and ask him to continue his help, that they may have a grant thereof for the maintenance and defence of the city and amendment of the walls and bridge, now being in ruin and decay. The stone of the said houses is very meet for the purpose Worcester 5 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. . . . .

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[5 Oct.] **541.** THOMAS BARNABE to CROMWELL.

R. O. I left London on Friday at noon and arrived at Calais at 5 on Saturday night, where I found my Lord, of whom I inquired touching the Regent of Flanders. He said she was toward Cambray. I therefore take my journey towards St. Omer and Tournay. Calais, Saturday, 7 p.m. at my departing.

Hol., p.* 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Oct. **542.** THOS. KNIGHT to CROMWELL.

R. O. Gives an account of Wriothesley's health, which is improving. Some days he shows no token of sickness. Brought him word tonight from "Mouns. Dundego" that tomorrow morning he shall have access to the Queen at 8. Has no news but that yesterday one who is chief about Mons. Dundego contended with him that it lay with every man either to save or condemn himself. The people seem very superstitious, setting candles in lanterns at noonday before images in their cemeteries; but this is old. Was told by a priest at Bruges that there they take the bp. of Rochester and the others for martyrs, and that the stationer had sundry epitaphs of them both, with the description of their lives of divers men's setting forth. Would have ascertained the authors of those works but the stationer was not at home and we left hastily at midnight. Every man who seeks news from England inquires what has become of the Saint of Canterbury, "but Mr. Wriothesley, who played a part in that play, had before sufficiently instructed me to answer such questions." Valencia, 5 Oct.

The day after writing the above Wriothesley's fever came again with no less cruelty than the first time, but did not continue long. We trust the danger is past.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Oct. **543.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is sure he will remember Bristow. Gloucester he has remembered
's Remains, p. 402. already. Now Worcester is behind, an ancient and a poor city, and yet replenished with men of honesty though not most wealthy. By reason of their Lady they have been given to much idleness. Now she is gone, they be turned to laboriousness and so from ladyness to godliness. The city is greatly charged with three things, their school, their bridge, and their wall. The school has been heretofore maintained by a guild "not without some guile, popishly pardoning, and therefore now worthily decayed."† Is obliged, poor as he is, to maintain the schoolmaster with his livery, meat, and drink upon holidays, and some part of his living, because he is honest and brings up their youth after the best sort. The bridge and wall are necessary for both city and country and are in great need of reparation. Asks him to obtain from the King the Black and Grey Friars for the maintenance of these three things. "Hartl.," 6 Oct.

Has made many merry in these parts with the stag the King sent him.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

* A different handwriting from any of the three letters, Nos. 187, 188 and 189, *antè.*

† Misread "decried" in Latimer's Remains.

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6 Oct. **544.** JANE KNIGHTLEY, widow,* to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks for your goodness in my suit with my brother Serjeant. I am not yet at a point for the stock and pasture of Sillisworth. He drives me off with delays, and would bind me "to my undoing and nothing according to my husband's will." The marriage of my eldest daughter is lost, in which my husband trusted to the help of my said brother. All rents and other debts of my husband he keeps. I beg your favour for myself and children. Please give credence to my brother, this bearer. Wormelieghton, 6 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Oct. **545.** AUSTIN FRIARS, SOUTHAMPTON.

R. O. Surrender of the house by the prior and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 6 Oct. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by* John Peyll, prior, James Jonson, sub-prior, James Sucante, Wm. Simsun, Thos. Senoke, *and* John Whete.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff of the Austin Friars of Southampton delivered by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, to Nich. Dey, mayor there, and James Betts, customer, for the King.

Choir:—At the high altar a table alabaster of the Passion, above that a fair table painted and gilt with a pageant of the Passion, curtains on bars of iron to save the same; in the midst of the altar a proper frame gilt for the sacrament, at the altar's ends 2 small altars, a proper seat syleyd for priest, deacon, and subdeacon, &c.; choir double stalled and well and substantially graven; a fair loft over the door with a good clock and a bell to warn the clock. A bell in the steeple. Church: 3 tables of alabaster at 3 altars, a sacry bell, a painted table, 12 close seats and other seats, 2 branches for tapers, a lamp and basin. Vestry:—"6 suits of vestments honest but none better than silk or chamlet;" and many other vestments, &c. (18 items). Chapter house, frayter, fermery, tailor's house, parlour, and kitchen:—Furniture detailed, the 3 first have conduits for water and the last has leaden troughs. The library locked with 2 locks and many books in it chained. Besides this, certain stuff sold for 10*l.* 18*s.* to pay debts to brewer, baker, barber, &c., of 9*l.* 6*s.* The Visitor had 32*s.* and 4 chalices which were in pledge, 52 oz. Evidence in a hamper sealed. The Visitor departs and pays his costs. *Signed by Dey and Betts.*

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6 Oct. **546.** AUSTIN FRIARS, STAMFORD.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 613. Surrender to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England, to the King's use. John Canon and Thos. Gyfte, laymen, to be attorneys to receive and deliver the same. 6 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Warnar, prior, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 41.]

Seal much injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 3], without mem. of acknowledgment.

* Not the widow of Sir Richard Knightley, who was the writer of No. 606 in Vol. X., but apparently her daughter-in-law, the widow of Richard Knightley, Esq., son of Sir Richard, and brother of the Serjeant. Bridges, in his Hist. of Northamptonshire (I. 67), calls the Serjeant's brother, also, Sir Richard, but his name appears only as Richard on the commission of peace for Northamptonshire in August 1536. *See* Vol. XI., No. 202 (13).

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6 Oct. R. O. **547.** SIR THOMAS WHARTON to HENRY VIII.

Since coming from his Majesty, has been occupied with the affairs of the West Marches according to his office. Since his entry to the same they have proceeded to the King's honour. Has had meetings with lord Maxwell about offenders in Liddesdale in Scotland, and Tyndale and Bowcastledale, that redress might be made according to the peace. The West Marches are in as good order as they have been for 40 years. Have made sundry good orders for offenders. The greatest are the King's own subjects in Gilsland. The West Marches are most ready to serve the King in all his realm and will be a scourge to evil doers in Liddesdale and Tyndale when required. The bearer, Edward Aglionby, will report further, who has circumspectly served since the writer's entry. Carlisle, 6 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Headed:* Copy of the King's highness letter sent by Mr. Aglionby. *Endd.:* Anno 30.

6 Oct. R. O. **548.** [LORD LISLE] to WRIOTHESLEY and STEPHEN VAUGHAN.

I have this day received your letter and have used the surest and most secret means to come to the knowledge thereof. The said John de Caster was here in Calais about the 20th ult., and bought wools which he shipped for Mechlin and went home with them. He is reported to be a man of honest conversation and of few words, somewhat halting, being of a good age and a draper of wool at Mechlin. It is thought he will be here again about Easter. He is not gone to England, and I have forborne to write to my lord Privy Seal about him. I doubt not you will find him at Mechlin; if not, when he comes here again I will make him sure. Calais, Sunday, 6 Oct.

Copy, p. 1. *Add.:* Ambassadors in Flanders.

6 Oct. R. O. **549.** JENNE DE BOURS to LADY LISLE.

We cannot thank you too much for the two pomegranates and two glasses of preserves which you have sent to Mons. Dignancourt. Boulogne, 6 Oct.

If Mademoiselle Basset sees the present letter, she will find that Mons. Dignancourt and I recommend ourselves to her.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Madame la debitise de Qualles.

6 Oct. R. O. St. P. VIII. 55. **550.** WRIOTHESLEY and VAUGHAN to HENRY VIII.

On Tuesday after his departure from England, which was on the Saturday before, Wriothesley came to Bruges, and having sent a post to Mr. Vaughan received answer from him in return that the Queen could not give any audience till she should be at Mouns on Friday following, and that Antwerp was the place where we might best provide things necessary for our journey. Went accordingly to Antwerp on Tuesday night to meet Vaughan, and on Wednesday made all necessary preparations "and despatched us out of the town on Tuesday (*qu.* Thursday?) morning" at such an hour that by great efforts we arrived within two leagues of Mouns on Friday before noon. We had sent a courier beforehand to Molembes to ask him to advertise the Queen of our arrival and request her for an early audience. She desired him to see us well lodged, as indeed we were, and promised that we should have access that night or Saturday morning. On our arrival were asked by Don Diego de Mendoza to supper, but declined as waiting for audience, and asked his help to ascertain the Queen's pleasure. He informed us by his servant that she wished us to defer our interview till her coming to Valenciennes and had commanded him to wait upon us thither. On which

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550. Wriothesley and Vaughan to Henry VIII.—*cont.*

he desired us to dine with him next day. Would fain have avoided going to him, being so ill furnished with post horses, and our few men so overlaboured they looked like drowned mice, but being pressed we could not refuse. Hearing that he was coming for us himself, we went and met him. Were most hospitably entertained and supplied with two of his horses with velvet saddles and harness, which we used to Valenciennes he and the captain of Gravelyn keeping us company all the way. Our audience was appointed for this morning at 8 and we were conducted thither by Mons.——(*blank*) a tall gentleman said to be master of the hawks to the Emperor. On entering the Queen's parlour found it marvellously well furnished one side with ladies, the duchess of Milan standing alone with a good space between her and the rest. After she had read our credentials Wriothesley told her that his colleague had informed him she had before heard part of his credence from him without the King's knowledge, through my lord Privy Seal, who wondered at these matters having cooled so much, and had heard reports that the matches between Don Luis of Portugal and lady Mary, and afterwards between your Majesty and the duchess of Milan were but dissembled practises to keep matters in suspense for his own purpose, and that the Duchess had been offered both in France, Cleves, and elsewhere. He begged her, therefore, to listen to his colleague, who had more knowledge of the French tongue than himself. She said she was content to hear what either would say. On this, Vaughan repeated to her what he had told her on his first arrival, and said the King was informed of the rumours above referred to, but could not believe that such dissimulation had been used towards him. She replied that the Emperor and she remained steadfast in their purpose touching the said overtures. Wriothesley said he was glad to hear it and said the King had given them a commission under the great seal to conclude the matter at once. She said she would be glad to do it if possible before the interview or at least immediately after. Urged her to do it before. She said she had written to the King seven or eight days ago on the subject and begged us to consider her journey. Said we would not press her too far, and if she would not enter with us till after the interview, begged she would write three words to your Majesty for your satisfaction. She begged we would wait till the afternoon and bowed us a farewell, for the table was spread and the meat coming in before we had finished. Wriothesley then begged her to keep her promise in remembrance. He also desired her leave to make their reverence to the duchess of Milan, whom they told that my lord Privy Seal was sorry to see the past overtures so coldly handled. She thanked us and my lord Privy Seal for his goodwill. "She is a goodly personage of stature higher than either of us, and competently fair, but very well favoured, a little brown." We then took leave of the Queen and her, and the duke of Arschot would have had us to dinner, but we excused ourselves. Count de Bure, and most part of the lords embraced us and asked of your Grace's welfare. Count de Pynnoye also, who had shown us attention on Friday, by the way offered us much gentleness, saying he was once your Grace's man at Tournay; also Molembes, the seneschal of Hainault, Prat, Isselstein, St. Pye, and others paid us great attention. Don Diego de Mendoza and Count Pynnoye brought us to the door, and, after our departure Don Diego sent us a present of wine, as the town also did, and afterwards came himself offering his service. Took advantage of this to urge him to solicit the Queen's answer, which he promised to do and went to Court as he told us after dinner only for that purpose; but said the Queen could not enter before the interview was passed, but that if we would write down what she should write she would next day satisfy us either one way or the other. We said we had no commission to put things in writing unless by way of treaty, and wondered at her asking such a thing. Don Diego advised us to do it as it would serve our purpose. Said it would rather serve theirs, but we would think of it: meanwhile determined

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to despatch this post. Intend to put a purpose in writing and deliver it, but to couch it so that it shall be no matter to be showed but to their dishonour. Thought this better than allowing her to waste time with us till the interview, which we hear is to begin on Tuesday night at Cambray. Have received two letters from the ambassadors in France and written two to them again. Valenciennes in Hainault, Sunday night. *Signed.*

In Vaughan's hand. Add. Endd.: Mr. Wriothesley and Mr. Vaughan of the 7th (*should be* 6th) of October.

6 Oct. **551.** Wriothesley to Cromwell.

R. O. Forbears to repeat the account of his journey given in his letter to the King. Was almost weary of writing that long letter to the King, which he was compelled to do in bed, this being his sick day. Forgot the fact, he was so busy, and took to meat, which gave him pain. As to affairs here, thinks they would be glad to conclude these marriages, but that the Queen for all her good words is not so well instructed that she can proceed out of hand. Wishes some man of learning sent hither to draw up the treaty. Valenciennes, Sunday night, 6 Oct.

What I wrote to your Lordship of the tarrying of the Council at Brussels is true. Be good lord to Mr. Henry Palmer in his suit. I met him at Bruges when I was ill at ease and ill supplied with men having the language, and he gladly ran and rode with me and from me, behind me, and before me, to do me service. I could no more have missed those two brethren than I might my right hand.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

7 Oct. **552.** Black Friars, Stamford.

R. O. Surrender to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. John Canon and Thos. Gyfte, laymen, to be attorneys to receive and deliver the same. 7 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Staffor (Stafforde in text) prior and bachelor, *and eight others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 42.]

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Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 11] without mem. of acknowledgment.

7 Oct. **553.** George Lord Cobham to [Sir Thomas] Wyatt.

R. O. Since your departure I have had no letter from you, nor has my nephew, your son, come to me. If you wish me to see him pray write to him, and I doubt not I shall so intreat him that you shall be satisfied. No news, but I trust there shall not be a friar left in England before you return. Blackfriars, London, 7 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my brother Wyatt. *Endd.*

7 Oct. **554.** Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. On Saturday, at Norwich, swore the gentlemen upon the Commission of Sewers; and so censured their remissness in not trying out the beginning of the "rumour of the marking of beasts," and in executing statutes and proclamations, that henceforth, he thinks, none in the realm will be more diligent. Mr. Townesend had already got knowledge of a lewd fellow, who reported treasonous words by a gentleman called Bramton, servant to the duke of Suffolk, but was contradicted by his four witnesses. Has delivered the lewd fellow to the sheriff, and on Saturday he shall sit on the pillory with

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another knave who has confessed to counterfeiting two letters in Mr. Ric. Cromwell, "your nephew's," name. Would that the King had three or four such as Mr. Townsend in every shire!

The White and Black Friars of Norwich presented a bill, enclosed, for Norfolk to take the surrender of their houses, saying the alms of the country was so little they could no longer live. Promised "by this day sevennight" to let them know the King's pleasure: begs to know what to do and what to give them. They are very poor wretches, and as he gave the worst of the Grey Friars 20*s.* for a raiment, it were pity these should have less. Forbears to speak of the abominable dealing of Cawndishe towards the writer's tenants in Colnes, in beating their servants and pounding their cattle; but trusts that, before Hallowmas, Cromwell will cause the man to appear before him to make answer. Never nobleman did suffer so much wrong of such a fellow. Kenynghale Lodge, 7 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Petition, to Norfolk, by the priors and convents of the Black and White Friars in Norwich, to take the surrender of their houses. The cold and small charity in these days is insufficient to live on, and they have been fain to sell their goods. Have made no waste, but are slandered and inquieted by light persons breaking their glass windows, &c.

P. 1. *Add. at head:* "To the high and mighty prince Thomas duke of Norfolk."

7 Oct. **555.** Sir Godfrey Foljambe to Cromwell.

R. O. Sends depositions touching a dispute between Will. Roland and one Hardwike and others, and certain words of which Roland has been accused by them. Begs his Lordship's favour in the writer's little suit to the King. Walton, Monday, 7 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

ii. Examinations taken at Walton before Sir Godfrey Foljambe, justice of the peace in Derbyshire, 26 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.

(1). Chr. Hardwike of Staynesbye, Derb., husbandman, says that about the time the King was made Supreme Head of the Church, he heard Will. Roland of Harestoft, husbandman, say, in the parish church of Huknall, in presence of himself, Wm. Reson and Roger Reson, that he thought he could not be Supreme Head of the Church, because he could not give a man that which he should have when he came into the world, nor when he went out of it.

(2). Wm. and Roger Reyson of Huknall on the Hill give similar testimony.

Form of recognisance subjoined for the appearance of the witnesses before the justices of oyer and terminer.

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7 Oct. **556.** Whitby Abbey.

R. O. Notarial certificate dated "die sep[timo] Octobris," 1538, of the proceedings in the election of a new abbot of Whitby on the resignation of the last. The whole convent (named) being assembled in the chapter-house before the prior of Guysborn and Tristram Teshe, commissaries or directors of the election, the King's letters were read, and the following brethren agreed that they had previously compromised their right of election to Cromwell and would stand by his nomination, viz.:—John Hexham, late [abbot], [Thos. Brabyner,] Peter Bennet, Thos. Stabler, Rob. Warde, Hen. Davell, Hen. Barker, Ro[bert Peyrson, Will.] Styll, John Watson, Will. Froste, and

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Rob. Lethley. But the others,† viz. :—Rob. Woodhouse, *prior claustralis*, Will Clerkson, Will. Knagges, Will. Castle, Thos. Byllingham, Peter Lieth, Thos. Hewett, Matthias Petche, Will. Newton, William [Ky]ldaile, Rob. Baxster, and Will. Colson, answered that they also had agreed to the compromise before the *congé d'élire* had arrived, but now they wished to exercise their free right of election which the King had conceded to them. On this the said directors prorogued the election till 3 o'clock, and then asked each of the monks if he would stand to the compromise * * * Witnesses, . . . Coniers, Roger Middlewodd, Geo. Dakyn, and Rob. Pickrynge.

Parchment, much mutilated and in parts illegible. Signed at the bottom by Robert Silvester, prior of Gisb[orne], *and* Tristram Teshe ; *also by the notary* Will. Chettyll.

7 Oct. **557.** Bonner to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 61.

My colleague‡ and I have written to the King and also to Mr. Wrysley, informing him of all our proceedings (he will now have no less than four of our servants, besides the going of Sir Thos. Seymour to Cambray to mark the fashion of this interview). If this "jasteling" to and fro had continued, I should neither have had good horse nor servant left. The French king now shows great coldness which we feel bound to report, although it may be policy to use temperate words. We have been very unkindly handled here, for besides not communicating their proceedings or companying with us, we are in our lodgings handled after the most slender sort. Did not find such unkindness with the Emperor as here. There is of late a stay made at Paris touching the printing of the Bible in English, and suit made to the Great Master to stop it; but that is not yet obtained. St. Quintins, 7 Oct.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Oct. **558.** Henry Palmer to Cromwell.

R. O.

Requests that during his stay in these parts with Mr. Wriothesley, Cromwell will not listen to the suit of his opponent Thos. Bradfyld touching the "sergiant riallship" of Guisnes which has been always at the appointment of the bailey and free men there. Cromwell was pleased to quit the writer of that care when he declared it to him at Canterbury. Valentian, 7 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Oct. **559.** Archbishopric of Tuam.

Vatican MS.

Note that in Consistory 7 Oct. 1538 the Pope appointed Arthur Offugel, canon of Raphoe (*Rapotensis*), to the metropolitan church of Tuam in Ireland, void by the death of Thomas Molelard ;§ with the retention of his canonry.

Latin. From a modern transcript in R.O.

† A complete list of those who appeared in the chapter house is given at the beginning of the document, which contained the names in both these lists ; and though several of these names are lost by mutilation, they are supplied from the signatures in the document in Part I., No. 722.

‡ Sir Anthony Browne.

§ The name is given in the lists as O'Mullaly, or Laly. The King had already appointed Christopher Bodkin, bishop of Kilmacduagh, as his successor, giving him the see *in commendam* on the 15 Feb. 1537. *See* Morrin's *Calendar of the Patent and Close Rolls in Ireland*, I. 31.

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7 Oct. **560.** AGUILAR to the DUCHESS OF FLORENCE.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 251. B. M.

Expresses surprise that she, who has always been so obedient to her father, should have without any reason done this affront and wrong, which is enough to make the Emperor her father disavow her. Requests her immediately on receipt of this to sign the enclosed power. Rome, 7 Oct. 1538.

Spanish, pp. 3. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See* Spanish Calendar, VI. i. No. 18.]

8 Oct. **561.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 381.

Sends certain things pertaining to the King's Majesty uttered to him by a scholar of Oxford. Lambeth, 8 Oct.

Asks Cromwell to be good lord to Mr. Bul, parson of Norflete, a man of good learning, &c., and very quiet, whatever report is made to the contrary. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

ii. Depositions "as concerning Mr. Don."

1. Of Gregory Stremer, that he said that Mr. Marschall should make satisfaction for putting out the word "Papa" in St. Gregories works in our library.* 2. Of Edmund Mervyn that since then, Sir Martiall laid the same to his charge, and he denied it not, but said, "Marry, and I say yet that it is not necessary to put out *Papa* out of profane books." 3. When it was Mr. Don's part, in his collation made to the company, to declare the just abrogation of the bp. of Rome's usurped power, he argued that the bishop might be called *Papa*, and it was but a foolish fantasy of men to make so much about the name, because divers bishops beside the bps. of Rome, were so called. 4. Stremer desired Don to teach the youth why the bp. of Rome was expulsed, for he thought none of them could tell why it was done. "No more can I," said Don. He afterwards explained this as meaning because he never knew he had any authority here. This was allowed by Dr. Cotes, then being in the commissary's place. 5. He affirmed in a lesson at Wytney that men make laws now for money, not for the profit of the commonweal. 6. He preached at Wytney that in the old time good men were wont to build churches, but now they were more ready to pluck them down.

Mr. Slater.

7. Slater has accused Goode, Gervase Lynche,† R. and J. Wye, and John Lane, wrongfully to their friends since they were conversant with Stremer and Martiall, who have been abhorred in the college since they began to call upon the officers for fulfilling the King's commandments touching abolishing the Pope's name, &c.

Sir Turnbull.

8. Sir Turnbull, reader of Logic, wresteth good questions, which the scholars put forth in their disputations, to "Donce quiditees."

9. Jo. Edwards, T. Goidge, Jas. Brokes, and Wm. Chedsey, Masters of Arts, keep the youth of the college from the knowledge of God's Word, resisting against the ordinances for the spread of the gospel and "extirping" of papistical doctrine.

[10] *Papa* was written in a calendar of a college book after it was struck out. *The first nine articles are signed by some or all of the following persons:*—Gregory Stremer, Hue Goode, Ric. Marshall, Edm. Marvyn, Ric. Wye, John Wye, John Boydell, and the last by John Garrett, R. Marshall, Geo. Etherige, and John Morwen.

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* That of Corpus Christi College, Oxford. *See* Valor Eccl. II. 249.

† Misread "Huche" in Cranmer's Letters.

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iii. Charges against Oxford men.

1. Not fulfilling the King's injunctions for preaching. 2. Not singing the collect for the King in the Mass. 3. Not blotting out *Papa* until within this half-year and singing *Papa* openly in the church. 4. *Papa* written again after it was once put out. 5. A book suffered for four years in the library which called them heretics and schismatics, who did not set the bp. of Rome above all powers. 6. Another book, named Alex. de Hayles, which proved the bp. of Rome above all powers. 7. They would not suffer the Bible to be read openly in hall at dinners, as the Statute bids, till we proffered to read it. 8. Mr. Chedsay, one of the deans, said that if he saw a scholar with a New Testament he would burn it. 9. Mr. Shepreve said that studying the scripture was subversion of good order, and that if he durst, he would bar us therefrom. 10. Mr. Donne would have had satisfaction of Sir Marshall* for putting out *Papa* in Gregory's works. 11. Mr. Slater said there were some in the house who could prove the bp. of Rome's authority. 12. Mr. Goyge reported in Hampshire that Sir Marven and Sir Marshall were heretics. 13. Mr. Slater forbad the scholars "our" company. 14. The Divinity lesson is not read. 15. Mr. Smytthe said that such as Sir Marshall have done much hurt with preaching. 16. Few or none except the masters have any part of scripture in their chambers. 17. Sir Garret, for saying that it were better for Sir Marshall to let *Papa* alone, than put it out of the church books, was punished with losing a fortnight's commons and had his meat and drink given him. 18. Sir Turnbull said when four, of Sion, London, and Sheen,† were executed for holding with the bp. of Rome, he trusted to have a memory of them among other of the saints one day. 19. Sir Bocher said that all they of the new learning were "advouterers and naughty knaves." 20. Mr. Donne called Sir Marven and Sir Marshall *Neo Christianos*. 21. Mr. Slater complained of certain to their friends because they favoured the truth. 22. Mr. Donne forbad reading the Bible in the hall. 23. The masters and fellows who are counted of the new learning are admitted neither to any office, nor yet to any counsel of the college business.

In Ric. Marshall's hand, pp. 3.

8 Oct. **562.** The Grey Friars, Chichester.

R. O. Surrender of the house, by warden and convent, to the lord Visitor for the King, 8 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* friars Willm. Stylle, Robt. Bennyngtun, Andrew Pepper, Cornelius Smyht, Ric. Hoode, John Perks, and Walter Leger.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff in the Grey Friars, Chichester, delivered by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal to Wm. Bradbryge, mayor there, and Ellis Bradshew, for the King.

Choir :—(6 items) a fair painted table, &c., and 2 bells in the steeple. Cloister :—A fair laverys and a conduit coming to it. Vestry :—4 suits, of red raw velvet, blue silk, silk payneyd, and silk with the ground green. Vestments, altar cloths and surplices 3 each; and 2 great chests. Ostre :—2 trestles, table and form, the ostre well syleyd. Parlour, well syleyd and benched. Brewhouse, 5 items. Library :—4½ new stalls with divers old books, and new press with almers for books. The whole house new syleyd about the windows and all the windows well glazed. Frayter :—7 tables and 7 forms.

Debts were 7*l.*, and to pay this and rewards to poor friars, &c., was sold 10*l.* 17*s.* worth of stuff. The Visitor has 8*s.* 8*d.* towards his charges and 141 oz. of silver. The evidences are in a coffer and thus the Visitor departeth. *Signed by Bradbryge and Bradshawe.*

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* The word "me" has been cancelled and the name substituted.

† Reynolds and the Carthusians executed in 1535.

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8 Oct. **563.** The Black Friars, Chichester.

R. O. Surrender, by the prior and convent, of the house of Black Friars of Chichester to the lord Visitor for the King, 8 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* "In wetnes here of I hafe subscryby my name fryer John Antenj prier manew propria—fr. Johanes Layart—fr. Willielmus Hall—fr. Thomas Senthyll—fr. Thomas Wylson—fr. Joh'es Holyday—fr. Joh'es Cuttefard."

P. 1. *Endd.:* "q're requiem (?) John Yngworth."

R. O. 2. Indenture of all the stuff of the Black Friars in Chichester received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to Wm. Bradbrege, mayor there, and Ellis Bradshow for the King.

The house as it stands; the church and choir without any ornaments, except the altars and old stalls; the ostre and frayter with the boards and certain old sileins and bedsteads. All the rest was sold and every penny paid for debts. The Visitor has 81 oz. of silver that lay in pledge. So he paid his own costs and departed. *Signatures (copied) of* William Bradbrige *and* Elys Bradshai.

Copy, p. 1.

8 Oct. **564.** Grey Friars, Stamford.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 611. Surrender (in the same form as No. 501) 8 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Schewyn, warden, *and nine others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 42.]

In English. Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 8] without mem. of acknowledgment.

8 Oct. **565.** White Friars, Stamford.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 612. Surrender, by the prior and friars who consider that Christian living does not consist in "wearing of a white coat, disguising ourself after strange fashions, ducking and becking, wearing scapulars and hood, and other like papistical ceremonies," &c. (as in No. 501) 8 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Kyrtun, prior, *and six others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 42.]

In English. Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 2] without mem. of acknowledgment.

8 Oct. **566.** John Thompson, Master of the Maison Dieu at Dover, to Cromwell.

R. O. The King when last at Canterbury desired Thompson to bring him the "platt" of the works at Dover within 14 days. The platt, which is not a little ample, is not yet finished. Trusts the King will pardon his absence on this account and because of the present danger to the works, through tempestuous weather, both at the south-east pier and the chapel. As it is unnecessary to keep so many labourers and clerks during winter, desires Cromwell to fix a number, as three score, of such as are inhabitants. Dover, 8 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Oct. **567.** John Freman to Cromwell.

R. O. I have dissolved the Grey Friars in Grimsby, which was not very chargeable to the King, "and yet was there 9 Fre[re]s in the same." There remains to the King's use in bells and lead, 80*l.* I have delivered possession to Mr. Atclyf. I have been at the Augustine Friars in the same town. Most of the friars have run away. Have discharged the prior of his religion, and made him keeper of the house for the King, with a promise of

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5 marks at his departing. The whole town beg to have half the parish church as a storehouse for anchors and cables. It would not be worth more than 4 marks to the King. Grimsby, 8 Oct.*
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Oct. **568.** Robt. Silvester, prior of Gysburne, and Tristram Teshe to Cromwell.

Cleop. E. iv. 48. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 248.

We have been, according to the King's command, at Whitby, to take the election of a new abbot. We tried first to get them to remit the election to us, to have nominated him that your Lordship commanded us in your letters, or else to remit it to your Lordship; but they would agree to neither. As your Lordship has sent down the *congé d'elire* from the King, they will elect only *per viam scrutinii*. We have "continued" the said election till your further pleasure. Beg him to give no credence to Robert Woodhowsse, prior claustrall of the house, who has gone to Cromwell to make some sinister report of the writers. Whitbye, 8 Oct., A.D. 1538. *Signed.*
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8 Oct. **569.** Deputy and Council of Ireland to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. iii. 99.

McMorrow and the Cavenaghes having been complained of, it was agreed that Ormond, Butler, the Treasurer of the Wars, and Chief Justice should have a meeting with them. At this meeting they would condescend to no reasonable point; so a hosting with 21 days' victuals was appointed. Left Dublin in charge of the Abp., Master of the Rolls, and Chief Justice of Common Pleas; and Kildare in that of the sheriff, the lord of Kilkullen, and others. The Deputy, with the Treasurer of the Wars and Chief Justice advanced to the Cavenaghes' country, where they met Butler, and together entered and wasted the country, 14 days, killing one of their best gentlemen, Cair Carraghe. They submitted, and will pay a yearly rent. Suggest banishing all their gentlemen and men of war. All the land is in peace.

The city of Dublin petitions to be exempt from assisting in hostings. It is the aid of Dublin, Drogheda, and the corporate towns which the Irish fear most. Pay and the soldiers too small. Beg that the Treasurer may have 1,000*l.* in advance and that they may be paid monthly. Trym, 8 Oct. *Signed:* Leonard Gray — George Dublin. — Edwardus Miden. — Willm. Brabazon—Gerald Aylmer, justice—John Alen—Thomas Lutrell, justice—Richard Delahyd, baron.
Add.

9 Oct. **570.** Thomas, Lord Lawarr, to Cromwell.

R. O.

His park of Ewhurst in Sussex, was hunted whilst the keeper was at the Court by the King's command. At the time, certain suspected persons were sent up to Cromwell and he now hears they have been sent to the Fleet to await their examination. Examined one of them called Robert Wylson, a servant of the writer's brother, Sir George West, deceased, and also one John Martyn, but their tales did not agree. Gives their various tales and that of Wm. Berd. Wm. Bonyface and the two priests† have been known at huntings before this and Sir Thos. Awodde's hound was recognised. Desires that the men may be punished if found guilty; and if not, sent home again, for they are poor, and Lawarr will bear their costs, &c., if he has wronged any of them without cause. Would have been at London ere this, but is evil at ease; trusts to be there about All Hallow tide. "At my poor house," 9 Oct.
The bearer can show further of this matter. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Perhaps an error of the writer, as the surrender is dated the 9th.
† The parson of Woodmancote and Sir Thomas à Wood. *See* No. 387 (2).

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9 Oct. **571.** ROBT. WARD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for past favours showed him, for Christ's sake and the truth. Writes in consequence of his commandment to curates and pastors for publishing the Word of God and inquiring for those who favour the usurped power or traditions of the Church of Rome. In Barking parish, Suffolk, where Mr. Richard Redman is parson, the Word of God is not preached unless a stranger comes by chance, and those who have come have not set forth the King's title nor defaced the usurped power of the bp. of Rome; no, not Alex. Barkley, who preached in Wytson holidays. Spoke to him of his negligence after the sermon before the parson and Mr. Walter Watlond, one of the justices. Cromwell's injunctions, "now and afore sent,' are undeclared and the people untaught.

The parson keeps within his cure one John Adryan who seems to favour as he dare, the bp. of Rome and his "Romly" traditions, as Cromwell will perceive by another bill. Complains that Redman chose for questmen, "against the generall and sene of the bishop," those, Nicolas Fowler of Darmysdon and others, who have no knowledge or goodwill to the truth, and that the bp. of Rome's name has not been rased out of the church books, in the chapels of Needham Market and Darmysdon. Mr. Watlond has been sore against English books, and as he dare against the truth. It was he brought tidings of a recantation by Mr. Latimer before he was made bishop, as lord Wentworth knows. Were it not for his Prince's displeasure, he being married, would himself set forth the injunctions. Needham Market in Suffolk, 9 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Sir Thomas Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

ii. The demeanour of John Adryan, chaplain and parish priest of Darmysdon, within the jurisdiction of Barking in Suffolk.

On 15 Sept.* last, at matins, he read the benediction "*Divina solatia impetret nobis Virgo Maria.* Robt. Ward sitting in the next place said with a submiss voice, "That is naught." Adrian answered on high, "I believe the Church better than you." *Ward:* "The Popish Church did make and maintain that." *Adryan:* "Ye take all thing after the letter and nothing after the spirit." *Ward:* "Say forth your matins and make no more din." While he was saying his matins with murmuring cheer, Ward looked through the mass book to see if the Pope's name were rased. Found in the mass of marriage, after the orison "*Deus qui tam excellenti*, in the red rubric these terms *hæc materia fuit disputata in palatio Domini Papæ;* and before that, among the orisons general, a special collect for the preservation of the Pope's estate, with the title *pro Papa.* Adryan, seeing this, murmured and seemed not content, and in saying the benedictions, *Mariæ merita nos ducant ad regna cælestia,* said with a loud voice, as it seemed to stir up tumult, "Is this naught also? Ye will say that this is heresy." He did likewise at the benedictions *Per Mariæ suffragia prosit nobis lectio evangelica,*" and "*Ad societatem civium supernorum perducat nos Regina cælorum.*" After matins, Symon Warnar asked of Robt. Ward, "Is there anything in that book which is naught." *Ward:* "Yea forsooth, and in your mass book also, for certain words he spake which be blasphemy; and the bp. of Rome standeth still in your mass book, contrary to the King's commandment, as I will show you." *Adryan:* "You cannot prove it, and I will sustain these words to be good and true, which ye say are nought." And with that, pulled away the mass book from Ward with violence. Nic. Fowler then came to Ward with threatening words and great oaths, saying, "It were alms that thou wert hanged and all such as thou art. Comest thou hither to control

* The day of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary. In 1538 it fell on a Sunday.

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our priest?" And was drawing his knife but was put by by certain honest men who knew his condition in sudden striking with his knife. Ward and others then departed for fear of further inconvenience.

The same day in the parsonage, in presence of Robt. and Ric. Salmon and others he affirmed that we must needs have saints departed means for us to God, to obtain our petitions, and he affirmed it by this text, *Quod uni ex minimis meis fecistis mihi fecistis*, when Christ meant of alms done or not done to the saints alive, not of praying to saints departed.

On Sept. 22 Adryan met one Hugh Buk of Barking, who asked him "How shall a man have knowledge for the spiritual life?" *Adryan:* "Thy father and mother taught thee." *Hugh:* "My father and mother taught me my *pater noster*, *ave* and *credo* in Latin and partly idolatry." *Adryan:* "Nay, for they bade thee love thy Lord God above all thing." *Hugh:* "Nay, that was taught me since." *Adryan:* "Wilt not thou believe that saints shall pray for us and with us." *Hugh:* "No forsooth, brother." *Adryan:* "If thou wilt not believe that, thou art an heretic and speakest plain heresy." *Hugh:* "I believe that there is no saint departed that can remedy me, but only God and Christ." *Adryan:* "We must pray to saints that they may pray for us and with us, and namely Our Lady that she shall pray for us and with us to our Saviour Jesu Christ, that we may obtain our petition through her prayers." *Hugh:* "I will not believe it." *Adryan:* "Thou speakest heresy." *Hugh:* "I believe that Christ died for Our Lady as well as for us." *Adryan:* "Thou speakest heresy." *Hugh:* "Then prove it by witness of Scripture." *Adryan:* "I must now go say service." *Hugh:* "God speed ye well."

On that day he preached, and said: "Friends, here on this day sevennight, I was rebuked for certain words which I spake in the service of Our Lady, that was, the Virgin Mary is a mean to God to pray for us and with us (this exposition is far from the Latin terms), yet I grant that Christ died for Our Lady because she came of the seed of Adam. Yet He died not for her as He did us, for we are sinners and she was no sinner."

He never came yet in place, but he caused sedition and strife, as Mr. Bale can inform you.

Pp. 2, *in Ward's hand.*

9 Oct. **572.** Grey Friars, Grimsby.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 635.

Surrender of the priory and all its possessions, 9 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Adam Howetun, warden, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 22.]

In English. Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5 *no.* 48] without mem. of acknowledgment.

9 Oct. **573.** Mahieu Van der Helle to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

I have given the bearer a stork to deliver at your lodging, of which I pray your acceptance. Dunkirk, 9 Oct. 1538.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

9 Oct. **574.** Burgomaster and Eschevins of Dunkirk to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

Hear that several ships during the fishery will endeavour to catch and buy herrings at sea, to the great damage both of Calais and Dunkirk, which will thus be disappointed of much of the fish which the French might bring thither to sell. Intend to prevent this so far as possible in accordance with the Emperor's ordinance, and inform lord Lisle of it, that he may do the like within his limits. Dunkirk, 9 Oct. 1538.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

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9 Oct. **575.** Queen Mary of Hungary to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 63. Has heard his ambassador's message, touching the marriages some time since proposed between them. As he came to her in this quarter on the point of going to an interview with the French king, has no opportunity to enter further into those matters till her return, when she will willingly do so. The Emperor wishes her to proceed sincerely. Cambray, 9 Oct. 1538.

Copy in Vaughan's hand, headed: Copie de la lettre de Madame la Regente a la Majesté du Roy d'Angleterre.

10 Oct. **576.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. C.'s letters, 384. Thanks him for preferring the bearer Markeham to the farm of the priory of Newsted. Lambeth, 10 Oct.

Added in his own hand: The two Observants whom Cromwell sent to him have confessed what he supposes is high treason. Will send them, with their depositions, tonight or tomorrow. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

10 Oct. R. O. **577.** Thos., Prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, to Cromwell.

Has received his letter, with a pair of indentures, by Cromwell's servant, Master Culpeper,* desiring to have Bekysbourne for a mansion house near Canterbury. Seeing he has been so good lord to them at divers times, they grant it gladly. Sends back both the indentures, one sealed with their convent seal, and asks him to seal the other and return it. Canterbury, Thursday, 10 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

578. Anthony Sonds to [Cromwell].

R. O. Complains of the conduct of Mr. Culpeper whom he met in the house of Mr. Darbye with Mr. John Cheyny on St. Edward's Even last, there being also present at supper Mr. Gildeford and Mr. John Deryng. Culpeper said it was reported I should say at the prior of Christchurch's table at the sessions, that your Lordship did require Beakesbourn for the said Culpeper. He could not tell who told him so, and I said I thought it was his own invention. He said "I lied like a fool," and I that "he lied like a knave." Then he drew his dagger and struck me on the head, and I drew mine, but the other gentlemen stepped between us. Then he required me to meet him next morning by 7 o'clock in Fynnesbery field, but I, considering I was in the commission of the peace and both of us your Lordship's servants, said I would not "begin with him," and would inform your Lordship of all. He said (to move me) "his servant should buy a groat's worth of rods that he might have one always under his cloak." Furthermore he said "he did not pass whose servant I were."

Hol., p. 1. *Not signed. Begins:* "In most humble wise showeth unto your good Lordship your most bounden servant Antony Sonds." *Endd.*

10 Oct. **579.** Black Friars of Arundel

R. O. Surrender of the house by the prior and convent, to the lord Visitor. 10 Oct. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by* John Colwyll, prior, Wm. Cosynton, Wm. Welche, Richard Damyt, and Thomas Matthu.

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* Thomas Culpeper. *See* Statute 34 and 35 Hen. VIII. c. 37 (unprinted).

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10 Oct. **580.** BLACK FRIARS OF GUILDFORD.

R. O. Surrender of the house by the prior and convent, to the lord Visitor. 10 Oct. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Cobden, prior, Wm. Dale, Robt. Merton, Philip Stawfford, Jon. Hyns (?), John Fort, *and* Thos. Hopkyn.

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R. O. 2. Indenture of the stuff remaining in the Black Friars in Gilforde received by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to John Dabarne, mayor there, and Daniel Mugge, for the King.

Furniture of choir, church, vestry (no vestments,) great and small kitchens, pastry and yard. In the choir is a pair of organs and in both choir and church are marble tombs. In the yard is a fair well with bucket and chains.

There was great clamour for the debts, which drew above 10*l.*; wherefore all the stuff of the vestry, &c. was sold, and all the money paid except 16*s.* 8*d.*, which paid the Visitor's costs. The Visitor charged Sir Wm. Cobden, late prior, with the King's lodging, &c., as he was before charged by the King's officers. The Visitor has 105 oz. plate and thus departed. *Signed by Daborne and Mugge.*

Copy, pp. 2.

10 Oct. **581.** WRIOTHESLEY and VAUGHAN to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 63. Immediately after the despatch of our letters by Francis, the courier, finding that the Queen delayed her answer, on the exhibition of the writing desired in her name by Don Diego, lest they should put us off till after the meeting, "we devised a purpose containing a slender discourse of our communication with the Queen, including a repetition of the beginning of the matter and the continuance of the same, with our desire in fine upon the said conference" (copy enclosed). This discourse we sent to Don Diego on Monday morning declaring that we had put it in writing merely for the Queen's satisfaction, and hoped her Grace would now work as speedily with us, either by entering into communication as we desired, or at least by despatching the letters we had requested, and we begged he would forward our object. We sent the message to him by mouth, instructing the messenger carefully what to say, lest a letter being shown might testify that we desired not these things as much or more than they. On receipt of the writing he went to Court and told our messenger he expected we should receive an answer at night. To put him in remembrance we asked him to supper and he came.

Having set forth this matter we took our journey from Valenciennes to Cambray. Met by the way Thos. Barnabe, who brought letters from my lord Privy Seal notifying the receipt of letters to the King from the Queen here and others from Don Diego. He also brought a letter from my lord Privy Seal to the said Don Diego, copies of all which we also received for our instruction and perused between Valenciennes and Cambray, hoping to have expressed Henry's thanks to the Queen for her letters and felt her mind, but it was so late that we could get no audience. We had hoped to get the answer we looked for by Don Diego, when he came to supper, and we made him as good cheer as we could, none of our stuff or plate being come because one of our carts broke two leagues out of the town. While at supper Sir Thomas Seymour came in bringing a report from Mr. Brown and my lord Elect of their proceedings with the French king "to whom again we recounted our story here, which for the entertainment and good words sounding well to our purpose somewhat differeth." After supper Don Diego said the Queen and Emperor both remained firm in one purpose, but she had neither appointed a time for entering into communication nor done anything about writing a letter, the business of the interview so hampered her. Said we were sorry for this, because we deferred writing to you till we could state something

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certain; and indeed we despatched Francis so privily that we think none of them knew of it. He said her Grace had the less care of this matter because she had written already, and we might be sure she would not vary, for you had not a better friend this side the sea. Said we only wanted to assure you that we had done our duty. He promised to do his best to satisfy us. Told him of the receipt of letters from England, one of them to him from my lord Privy Seal which Wriothlesley delivered, and read to him at his request. He seemed much pleased and again protested his good inclination towards the King. After he left, sent to the duke of Arscot to inquire whether we should attend the Queen at the meeting or keep on our journey only, as she should remove to be ready at her call. He promised us an answer in the morning, which he sent, to the effect that he had spoken to the Queen and she thanked Henry for the honour he did her; but, as the meeting was only a private congratulation among kinsfolks and at the first congress she would have no great train, she wished us, during her continuance at Cambray, to put ourselves to no trouble. When any show should be made she would notify us and keep places for us.

On Tuesday morning the Queen met with the French king at Crevicure, two leagues out of Cambray, the duchess of Milan being left at home, and many others, who, as we can yet hear, have no great entertainment of the Frenchmen. After dinner, towards night, the French king and the Queen Regent came into Cambray together and the Queen entertained him at supper. On Tuesday night Don Diego informed us that we should have the letters* we desired next morning and the Queen wished us to put off the negociation till her return to Brussels. She offered Wriothesley her physician to attend on him. We thanked her and said we would not press her further than was right, and if she would despatch these letters we would forward them to your Majesty. On Wednesday morning M. Rombalt, the Queen's secretary, came and said she was sorry to hear of Wriothesley's illness, desiring that for the sake of his health he would stay there or return to Brussels. Thanked her for her considerateness but said they could not remain behind except at her command, which they hoped she would not insist on as the King desired them to do her all the honour they could. He said she left it to them, only giving this by way of advice, and then told us he would go to despatch the letter. He came back with it an hour after, and with the copy which we desired. We noted somewhat the meagreness of it, which he excused for want of leisure and said we might supply what was wanting. There was a clause of credence left to us for a more ample declaration. We thanked him and departed towards St. Quentin, where we thought meet to despatch Barnabe again, by whom you will receive the said letter.

Forbear to write of the meeting of the French queen and the Regent, and of their entry into this town, as others will report them. Advise that the King should send over some personage of estimation well acquainted with the framing of treaties. St. Quintin's, 10 Oct. *Signed.*

Add.

R. O. 2. "The draft of our purpose delivered to the Regent." (Printed in footnote St. P. VIII. 64.)

Partly in Vaughan's hand, and headed by him.

R. O. 3. "The translation into French of our purpose exhibited to the Lady Regent."

Fr., pp. 3. *The heading in Vaughan's*† *hand.* [*A copy of this at Vienna is described in the Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. *No.* 8.]

* *See* No. 575. † Not Wriothesley's, as stated in State Papers, 65.

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10 Oct. **582.** The Master of the Hospital of St. John's of Jerusalem [Homedes] to [Cromwell].

Otho C. ix. 95. B. M.

"[Recevi in Ar] ragona venendo de camino per Malta una lettera di V.S. rispos . . . . . in molta obligatione per la bona volunta che in le mie cose et di q . . . . . et similmente per le laudi senza io meritarle li e piaciuto dire con al . . . . . molto supplico V.S. che in tutto il bene di questa religione la voglie tener se . . . . . [comme]ndata poi che Dio la ha posta in parte che ne po far molto beneficio, et p . . . . . che non fara per persone ingrate per cumplir tutto quello che farsi potess[e] . . . . . ditta lettera recevi una del Serenissimo Re, et con essa una constitutione o patente . . . . . et beneficii et altre cose de nostra religion, non feci alhora risposta perche me p . . . . . di arrivar in Malta, nel qual camino tardai molto. Giunto che fui io lo consultai [col nostro consig]lio, alli quali parse che poi che il capitolo general si haveva da presto tener si aspettas[se] . . . . . [p]erche si potesse dar complita risposta. Et per molti negocii che la religion sempre ha h[avuton]on lo havemo tenuto, pero pensamo che non tardara molto. Al presente, per non tardar tanto, [ho scritto] a sua M[ta], dando raggione di tutto lo supradicto, la qual lettera potra veder V. S., alla qual su[pplico che per], sua parte voglia far la excusatione con sua M[ta], faccendo sapere a V.S. che poi che [vien di scr]iver a sua M[ta] restai di scriverle molto, la prego lo pigli a bene V. S., poi che si e fatto[di buon inte]ntione."

[Hears] that the prior of England is dangerously ill. Begs Cromwell in case of a vacancy to do his best for the honour of the Religion. [Mal]ta, 10 Oct. 1538. *Signed:* "Il m're del ospital de San Jo' de H'lm."

Ital., p. 1.

10 Oct. **583.** Lope Hurtado de Mendoza to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 253. B. M.

Wrote on the 6th about the writing Aguilar asked the Duchess* to agree to; another of Aguilar's servants has since come with the enclosed letter and power. The Duchess much resents this treatment by the Marquis. Begs the Emperor to answer her graciously. Other news of the Duchess. Sanquexan, 10 Oct. 1558.

Spanish, pp. 3. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. *No.* 19.]

11 Oct. **584.** Cromwell's Injunctions.

Wilkins III. 837.

Mandate, by Thomas archbishop of Canterbury, to the archdeacon of N., or his official, to publish the injunctions hereto annexed,† issued by Cromwell with the King's authority. Lambeth, 11 Oct. 1538, translat. 6.

Latin.

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2. Notes from Cranmer's register touching the preceding, and of further acts relating to the authority of the Abp. and his suffragans in the reigns of Edw. VI. and Philip and Mary.

In a modern hand, pp. 2. *Endd.:* Notes *e libro Cranmeri.*

11 Oct. **585.** Chapuys to Queen Mary of Hungary.

Spanish Calendar VI. i. No. 21.

The King, having this morning heard from his ambassadors of the very kind reception she had given them, would, Chapuys is told, have wished to see him and thank him for his commendations of secretary Wriothesley, desiring him to thank her for the same, but that he had taken some light preservative medicine and intends taking a bath tomorrow. Not

* The duchess of Florence. † *See* No.

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to delay the courier, however, he sent Cromwell to him, who expressed himself so warmly that he has no words to explain it. Cromwell said that on hearing from his ambassadors of the cordiality of the lords in the Low Countries, especially Arschot and the counts of Bure, Trestein (Isselstein ?), and Molembaix, the King could not help crying for joy and exclaimed that he had hitherto somewhat suspected His Majesty* of seeking him to gain some advantage, but now he knows well that she was really in earnest; and since it was so he would play *a bon jeu bon argent*. Cromwell also said that he had never seen the King so much disposed for the conclusion of the two marriages, especially that of his daughter, for which he was about to despatch Dr. Carne to treat, along with the other ambassadors, and had already written to Sir Anthony Brown to come back. He also told me secretly that the King intends sending thither, as soon as possible, a gentleman of his Chamber,† but he did not think that he could depart till after eight or ten days. He would, however, let me know before the despatch, with instructions, was closed, and show me besides many other good provisions, such as the King's offer of assistance against the Turk, of which he and the rest of the Privy Councillors had that very morning spoken to the King, and which would be a special article of the ambassadors' instructions. When we came to speak of the Pope's authority Cromwell, at last, said that the King would not insist on it one way or other, and would be content that no mention were made of it at all. Chapuys suggested that if he would do the same with respect to Milan, for reasons already alleged, there would be no difficulty in the way of the marriages; on which Cromwell was for a time thoughtful and, to avoid giving an opinion, said the French were boasting that they would be masters of Milan before three months were over, and that the whole affair would be settled at Compiegne. Chapuys repeated to him what he had told the King respecting the Emperor's journey, and who was the promoter of the interview, and that it was but an excuse for pastime. Cromwell replied he believed that it was so, but made no answer to Chapuys' suggestion about Milan. Is sure he himself is in earnest about this affair, and has already passed many sleepless nights and borne a thousand reproaches on account of it. London, 11 Oct. 1538.

French, from a MS. at Vienna.

11 Oct. R. O. **586.** SIR THOS. HENNEGE to DR LEGH.

Informs him of the King's pleasure that Thos. Gyfford, gentleman usher of the Chamber, shall have the house and farm of Black Ladies of Brewod, Staff., who has made suit for it for more than a year. At your now being there you shall put him in possession, and he may at leisure apply to the Chancellor of Augmentations for the lease. Westminster, 11 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Begins:* "Maister Legh."

11 Oct. R. O. **587.** SIR BRIAN TUKE to CROMWELL.

Being here "a stert" to look to his things, sends, as desired, a book of the wages he pays as treasurer of the Chamber. Has examined it only by memory without his books. Tomorrow intends to be at London and will see by his books if anything be omitted. My poor house besides Havering, 11 Oct. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* "Sa Majesté" in the original, which the Editor of the Spanish Calendar understands as *her* Majesty the Queen of Hungary; but it is clear from what follows that the Emperor is meant.

† Philip Hoby. *See* No. 622.

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11 Oct. R. O. **588.** THOMAS JEFERYS, Mayor of Bristol, to CROMWELL.

The mayor and commonalty have commissioned David Brooke, Thos. Whyte, and Will. Chester, to move our suits to your Lordship for St. John's in Bristol and other matters, which we hope you will further. Bristol, 11 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[12 Oct.] R. O. St. P. VIII. 69. **589.** [HENRY VIII.] to WRIOTHESLEY [and VAUGHAN].

Perceives by their letters of Sunday last, dated from Valenciennes, their diligence in resorting* to the Queen Regent, especially that of Wriothesley, who was so ill. Is gratified by that and the kindness of the Regent and the rest of the Court. They must by this time have received Cromwell's letters by Thos. Barnabey acknowledging receipt of the Regent's letters of the 17th ult., for which they are to express the King's cordial thanks, desiring her to continue the treaty with them in accordance with ancient amities. Sends Dr. Kerne to assist them, whom they are to present to the Regent and explain the cause of his coming. Has also appointed Sir Ant. Browne to resort to her Court, for whom they will prepare a lodging.

Corrected draft.

12 Oct. R. O. **590.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

Has received his letters. Has moved my Lord (Cromwell) for your annuity. He says he asked the King for 400*l.*, but could not obtain it, but will rest upon his first promise and obtain 400 marks. This is all I can get of him. He says also that he doubts not you shall have the Friars, but you must wait his leisure. Your patent will bear the first payment at Christmas next, and the gift from Michaelmas. I have written to you about Plymton and have since communed with Mr. Thaccker and Darbye. They have no remembrance of the matter, but they were glad to hear you had sped so well at Dover. The King will grant no abbeys. The marquis of Dorset has been in hand with me for money. He says the sum is 150*l.* I told him you had an acquittance of 100 marks, which he says shall be allowed if it be sufficient; but I fear to show it, finding it was dated before the obligation. He asks 40*l.* a year, but I have proposed 20*l.*, which I think he will take. I am called upon for the subsidy, which is 46*l.* for two payments. Can see no remedy as to the 100*l.* for Sir Weston Brown. Mr. Smeth of the Exchequer says it cannot be deferred, for my lords of Sussex and Ferres have paid it. You might write to my lord Chief Baron and Mr. Smythe for friendship in this. Your bailly of Kybworth wishes a warrant for timber to repair your tenantries. Parson Ayngell will be but too well ordered when he comes. I have been plain with my lord Privy Seal for my Lady's letters to the Chancellor and justices. He says they shall be stamped within two days, adding, "Who was in the realm that durst be so bold to meddle with those lands, seeing the King had stayed the matter?" Mr. Treasurer will pay you, according to the King's patent, as long as he shall be officer there. Mr. Popley and Mr. Bonham are not yet come. Sir Chr. Morrys is content the party shall continue in his room till the next room falls. He will write to you. I will be in hand with Mr. Wyndsor for the hangings. Mr. Basset† is with my lord Privy Seal, and waits daily, by Mr. Richard's admission, but my Lord has never spoken to him. You should thank my Lord, on his behalf; and doubtless Mr. Pollard, at his coming, will advance the matter. London, 12 Oct.

Hol., pp. 3. *Sealed. Add.*

* Misprinted "reporting" in St. P. † John Basset.

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12 Oct. **591.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I have received your sundry letters and am glad you have received all things according to my former writing. As to the King's letters to my lord Chancellor and the justices of the Common Bench, I have this day been plain with my lord Privy Seal, who asked me who had been so bold to meddle with those lands seeing that the King had stayed the matter; but at last he promised that I should have those letters stamped within two days. "As touching my lord Privy Seal for my Lord's annuity, I cannot see that it will be above 400 marks;" but I will do my best to further the first grant. As to my Lord's stuff at Soberton, against the hoy comes, I will write to Mr. Wynsor for the six pieces of verdure. When I asked for them he said the tapestry man had them mending and they should be ready when you sent for them. Mr. Lock has delivered my Lord's doublet to Worley. I enclose a letter from Hyw Yeo, given me by the man who received the hawk for him. No quinces are to be had under 8*s.* the 100, and yet they are but small. I hope the travers will come now or never. Mr. Basset waits on my lord Privy Seal by Mr. Richard's admission, yet my Lord never spake to him. At Mr. Pollerd's coming, I doubt not he will advance the matter. Your Ladyship has forgotten Bremelcomb's coat. He must have it. I thank you for my livery, which your Ladyship has well considered in measure for my Italian waist. Mr. Comptroller is not come. I send a letter from Mr. Thirlby in answer to that brought by Mr. Fowler. I have Mr. Maydway's letter. He will be in the country for 30 days. Mr. Sherington has promised to send your silk and a letter shortly. I have received the "vessel" which lacks 9 lbs. or 10 lbs. in weight. I will exchange them and send two garnish for them. Mr. Bryan is well amended. Mr. Speckott desires his livery. I hear no more of Paynyswick. Concerning Yeo, I wrote what answer Mr. Haynes made. I have received my pomander. I am sorry you did not keep it. Mrs. Karket desires to be commended to you. Mr. Coffyn cares not how soon he has his hawk. Today I asked Mr. Baynton for his advice, as to whom Mrs. Anne should apply to, now that the King has given her her "finding." He advises you to write to some one in the Privy Chamber to know the King's pleasure. London, 12 Oct.

Lord Dawbny will be here about All Alontide.

Hol. pp. 2. *Add.*

12 Oct. **592.** GOING to the EMPEROR'S WARS.

R. O. The saying of Thos. Coke, 8 May 30 Hen. VIII., before John Dawtery and John Gounter, justices of the peace.

That Ric. Crowmpe, his late servant, said to him about 4 May in his house in the Pallant of Chichester, "Master, I can have no living here. I will go beyond sea; for I know one John Stappill hath been there in the Emperor's wars, and is now come home like a jolly fellow apparelled in scarlet, and 100 cr. in his purse; which John Stappill will get the King's licence for me, the said Richard, and Thos. Acton, late servant unto my lady of Salisbury, to go to the said Emperor's wars."

ii. The report of Thos. Cheselett, 12 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., before Wm. Erneley and John Gounter, justices of the peace, and Ellys Bradshawe, late mayor of Chichester.

That Coke declared the above to him about 3 Oct., and said that if it had not been for dread of certain persons, he would have declared the truth; viz., that Stappill would procure the King's licence for himself, Acton, Crowmpe, "and half a score more of my lady of Salisbury's servants (if ye know who they were, ye would little think it,) to pass over the sea to the Emperor's

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wars; and if we cannot be retained there, then we will go to cardinal Poolle, who hath but one Englishman with him, which is the vicar of Estmeane,* and there we shall be sure to be retained."

P. 1. *Endd.*

12 Oct. **593.** UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE to HENRY VIII.

Cleopatra E. vi. 242. B. M. Strype Eccl. Mem. i. pt. ii. 334. Wilkins iii. 837.

Thank the King for two great gifts, peace and a purified religion. Neither desire nor ought to ask for more, except that these may be well secured; and the one is so well looked to by the King that nothing more can be desired; the other is begun with so much vigour that everything may be hoped for. For since, in the beginning of his reign, Henry subdued the Scots, and brought the French to terms, no one has attempted to create disturbance. But he was late in turning his mind to the Reformation of Religion,—not late if it be considered how much was done in a very brief space, but late considering his own zeal for truth, and his people's ardent love of piety. Like an excellent artificer he has done a work, the beauty of which will preserve the memory of his past labours. In reward for his efforts God has at length sent them prince Edward, a child worthy of such a parent. Enlarge upon the different steps taken for the reform of religion; and beseech Henry's favour for their university. Are grieved at the fall of their brethren—not that those members have been expelled who were injurious to the Christian religion; but they hope that the monasteries formerly given over to superstition, from which a base herd of impostors used to issue, may henceforth be made colleges to promote good letters and the true doctrine of Christ. Cambridge, 12 Oct.

Lat. Endd.

12 Oct. **594.** NICOLAS [SHAXTON] BP. OF SALISBURY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

The suffragan of Dover, Visitor of all the Friars in England, has received for the King a little house in Wilton, wherein was only one friar, and committed the custody thereof to Thos. Candell, the bishop's registrar. It is a little house, in great decay, the church and chancel not more than 34 feet by 14, a cloister of 24 ft. every pane, and a lodging of 16 ft. long and 12 ft. broad, adjoining, with the cloister, to the church, a little garden and a meadow ground of 3 acres or thereabout, which is worth 20*s.* a year. As it is near the registrar's house, asks that he may have it, either by gift, purchase, or farm. He is an honest poor man, diligent and trusty in his calling to help forward God's word, and has sustained great labour and costs these 14 years, concerning taxation and collection of the subsidies, without having any recompense, the bp.† then being at Rome. He is only vice-registrar, with a portion of the profit which is very small. Rammesbury, 12 Oct. *Signed.*

In Candell's hand, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

595. THOS. CANDELL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Reminds him of his suit specified in the bp. of Salisbury's letters concerning the little house of one friar in Wilton, with a meadow. Begs him to desire the King to grant him this house for ever, for the considerations mentioned in a supplication enclosed. Is a poor man charged with wife and children. Will give Cromwell 10*l.* within a month after the receipt thereof. Would be loath to give more than 20*l.* for the purchase, though a rich clothier took the meadow by lease for 26*s.* 8*d.* a year, it is not now so much

* John Heliar. † Campeggio, the writer's predecessor.

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worth, for now it is enclosed with hedges where before stood houses. Poor folk carry away the hedges to make fire, and cattle enter and do hurt. Perceives that the King has given away divers friars' houses, far in value above this, and perhaps will give this to some other man. Has made his suit only to Cromwell and begs him not to repel him. Asks that the bearer may know his pleasure. Rammesbury.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

12 Oct. **596.** William Dynham to Cromwell.

R.O. Ellis, 3 Ser. III. 112.

Of late I came to the priory of St. Germayne in Cornwall and sat at supper with the prior, accompanied by Alex. Barckley, who the day before preached in honour of the Blessed Virgin, but not so much to the edifying of his audience as his demeanour next day was, I heard, to their destruction. At supper I moved such questions as I thought might do good to the audience. He served my purpose, till, "after a sodeyne dompe he brake silence, as a man that had spoken too well (and yet a frere in a somewhat honester weed)," and glorified himself. He first protested he would preach no new things, not set out by the King and his Council. I answered, wondering what he meant when all men of literature and judgment "knew that our so Christian a Prince and his Council set forth no new thing but the gospel of Christ, and the sincere verity thereof." Barckley replied, "I would to God that at the least the laws of God might have as much authority as the laws of the realm." Asked him what he meant, and Barckley said, Nothing, but he thought men were too busy pulling down images without special commandment of the Prince. Dynham answered he knew none pulled down, except such as idolatry was committed unto, and reminded him "of St. Margarets Patent is rode,* and the assembly, although somewhat dispraised, yet for the intent and good fact thereof tolerated. Here he demanded, what followed thereof? I requiring him to answer his demand, he said I knew how many tenements and some people were burnt soon upon. 'What, Barckley?' said I, 'here is somewhat moved; ye have a versatile ingeyne, but were ye so sleper as an eel, here will I hold you. Would you infect this audience with that opinion, that God for such cause plagued them? Your cankered heart is disclosed. My true little stomach, with reverence of the prior and his board, must be opened lest it break. You are, Barckley, a false knave and a dissembling frere. You get no pence might I rule here. You seek your own profit vocall to hinder the truth more than unity to set forth the true and princely endeavour of our most Crysten and of his church Supremest Head most laudable enterprises; whereof I trust thou shalt hear.'" Lyfton, 12 Oct.

Hol., (but not his own hand), pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Oct. **597.** Sir William Uvedalle to Cromwell.

R. O.

Has, by the King's patent, an office in the park of Clarendon called the "launde walke," and, like his father and other keepers before him, has a lodge called the Queen's Lodge pertaining to the keeper of the said walk. Now one Sir Michael Lyster, alleging a patent for the wardenship of the whole park, says he will have the said lodge. Sir Michael, upon "light tales," took and imprisoned the writer's keeper in a deep dungeon and set a servant of his own in the lodge. Got the keeper released on bail, and then one of Sir Michael's servants made a fray upon the man in Salisbury, and when he returned to the lodge Sir Michael again cast him into the dungeon and has kept him a fortnight. Begs Cromwell to call the parties before him. 12 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* The rood at St. Margaret Pattens in London.

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12 Oct. **598.** GUIDO GIANNETTO to PETER VANNES.

R. O. I have arrived in my return at Nuremberg, one of the first cities in Germany. Was recognised and courteously entertained by M. Joachime, a gentleman of the city, who had seen me in England in the house of Monsignore.* He introduced me to Osiander, the first of the Evangelical preachers at Norimberg, who asked news of his friend the abp. of Canterbury to whom he has dedicated a book entitle *Harmoniæ Evangelicæ*. M. Joachimo says he is going to England to be at the King's service. To make him laugh, sends copy of something from Italy which has been translated here into German. By letters received from Spain it seems probable that the Emperor will pass through France into Flanders; if so it must be not only on account of the dukedom of Gueldres but to renew some league with the princes and free states in Germany, perhaps to induce them to go with him to a Council; but this is only a conjecture, because the papists and antipapists are alike uncertain whether they will succeed in a Council. Hearing that 60,000 Turkish horse were about to invade Hungary the king of the Romans asked aid of men from these free states, but none sent any except Norimberg, which is very favourable to the Emperor—more, they say, than any other Lutheran state. It sent at its own expense 500 men who have been since dismissed as not needed. I wrote to you from Antwerp and left the letters with Francesco Nasi. Nuremberg, 12 Oct. 1538.

Italian, Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

13 Oct. **599.** ABP. LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is sorry to trouble him so often with his suit for a suffragan. The bill has been in Wriothesley's hands ever since Easter, and the Abp. hears Cromwell has put in it the name of the prior of Gisborough. Begs him to get it signed as he has great need. Cawood, 13 Oct. 1538. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Oct. **600.** RICHARD SPARCHEFORD, Priest, and RICHARD WARMECOMBE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Have received the King's letters patent to survey the bpric. of Hereford, now in his Grace's hands, and keep the courts there. It was Cromwell's pleasure, at Sparcheford's late being with him, that the bailiffs who had levied the half year's rent should continue to occupy till next audit. Thomas Lorymer and others, who have obtained bailiwicks, by the King's signed bill, enterprise to occupy them. Lorymer, especially, who has the bailiwick of Hampton, sometime of Richard Love, says he will gather the half-year's rent. 13 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Oct. **601.** MEREVAL, or DE MIRA VALLE, ABBEY.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 628. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Warw. Leic., Staff., Derb., Lanc., Chester, Norf., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 13 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Arnold, abbot, John Ownsbe, subprior, *and eight others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 31.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 46] as acknowledged before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

* Cromwell.

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13 Oct. **602.** LORD LISLE to WRIOTHESLEY and VAUGHAN.

R. O. Has received their letters this St. Edward's even. Said nothing touching the person* they wrote of, but desired Thos. Scriven, the King's servant, to inquire if any such stranger were in this town, who learns from the treasurer of the Staple that he was here on the 24 Sept., as I stated. Where you write that my lord Privy Seal would have had him if he had known it in time, if the search had not been published, "I promise you to be bidden by, there was no more done than is before written." I send my Lord a letter with a copy of yours. Calais, 13 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Wriseley and Mr. Vaughan, the King's ambassadors resident with the lady Regent in Flanders.

ii. "Copy of my letter to my lord Privy Seal."

Received a letter from Mr. Wriseley dated Antwerp the 3rd. I caused Scriven, who was admitted the King's servant at Dover, to search for the man who was here on the 24 Sept. last, who is a clothier dwelling at Mechlin, and will be here again between Easter and Midsummer to buy wool. Received yesterday a letter from Wriseley, willing him to inform Cromwell of what had been done. Calais, 13 Oct.

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13 Oct. **603.** ANNE ROUAUD (MADAME DE BOURS) to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I have been waiting to procure the two goshawks for which you wrote. I have only been able to procure one, which still has something wrong with its leg. I understand that a gentleman has promised Mons. de Ryou to send my Lord a couple. Montmorency went to the Court six weeks ago, and I told him to get me some, if he could, for you. I have since been absent with one of my brothers, who has been ill, and died 15 days ago. Since my return I have been ill. I wish for news of "Mademoiselle ma bonne fille,"† whom your last letters state to have been ill for some time. Recommend me to my Lord. Bours, 13 Oct. *Signed.*

A great personage of this country wishes for a large English greyhound, and I beg you to send me one for him.

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

14 Oct. **604.** LEATHER, HIDES AND TALLOW.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 155. Proclamation prohibiting export of leather, hides, and tallow. Westm., 14 Oct., 30 Hen. VIII.

B. M. *Later copy, pp.* 2.

14 Oct. **605.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I send such letters as Mr. Rolles delivered me for your Ladyship, and with them one for Mr. Marshal, which I beg you to send on. "As to the pewter vessel, your Ladyship shall receive two garnish in Toby's boat." I have been in hand with Mr. Marvyn for Bell, but nothing can be done till next assize. Money matters with Mr. Rolles. I wait for the King's letters. My lord Privy Seal promises hourly to rid them, but I cannot be despatched. I am told plainly that the earl of Bridgewater will be here before All Hallowtide. The earl of Hertford is not yet come. No news but that the Council sit most of the day. Mr. Basset is a great waiter, and will be a good courtier. London, 14 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

* John de Caster. *See* No. 548. † Mary Basset..

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14 Oct. **606.** JOHN LORD FITZWARREN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Since sending his letter, delivered at Canterbury, concerning certain priests of Sarum who privily stirred the people in confession to the old fashion, and also concerning Cromwell's favour that he should have the Black Friars to dwell in, and his Lordship's letters in favour of the bailiff of Sarum, complaint has been made to Fitzwarren of the papistical fashions of Gyles Hakelewt, sub-dean of Sarum. It has been "coloured and drowned" by Mr. Baker of the Close and the mayor, and no reformation had. On the eve of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross he rebuked divers scholars for not being at evensong on so high an even, and called them and their fathers and masters heretics. The examination was had before the mayor, Fitzwarren being then with lord Hartford. Asks whether he shall be punished or sent up with the depositions.

Reminds him of the articles he sent to him at Portsmouth concerning John Evans, constable of Sarum. If he be not bridled, the others of his brethren will take too much courage in their unlawful doings. Dorneforde, 14 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Sealed with the Bourchier knot. Endd.*

14 Oct. **607.** RIC. WORSLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. A little before the death of his father,* there was a contention between the baileys of Newport in the Isle of Wight and the inhabitants, for divers petty customs, which the baileys require. His father and other gentleman arranged that the matter should be declared to learned counsel, and a final order taken at Easter term, contrary to which the baileys have arrested poor men on privy seals to appear before Cromwell, having selected simple men who will not be able to answer what will craftily be laid to their charge. Considering that it is sowing time now, asks him to discharge the poor men and commit the matter to the country, or to stay it in his hands for a time. The Isle of Wight, 14 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

14 Oct. **608.** MARMONDE PRIORY.

R. O. Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in cos. Camb. and Norf. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof, 14 Oct. 1538. *Signed by* Roger the prior *and* Wm. Cristall. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 31.]

Rymer XIV. 620.

Without seal.

Enrolled [*Close Roll*, 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1. *no.* 70] as acknowledged [the same day] before [Ric.] Layton, clk., by virtue of the King's commission.

14 Oct. **609.** J. DE HONCOURT to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I thank you for the trouble you write that you are taking to procure some birds for me. Abbeville castle, 14 Oct.

Commend me to your daughter.†

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

14 Oct. **610.** ADRIAN REVEL to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I beg you to send me by the bearer the money for the 43 dozen quails I have sent you, amounting to 43 livres. You wrote that you thought them too dear, and that you could get them at Calais at 17 sous a dozen.

* Sir James Worsley, late governor of the Isle of Wight. † Mary Basset.

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610. Adrian Revel to Lord Lisle—*cont.*

I assure you it would cost me as much without those that died, which were over three dozen.

Begs that he may have some of his old account. Dieppe, Monday 14 Oct. 1538.

The herring fishery here is over. If there are any still at Calais, a good trade may be driven, as the *drogueurs* have not caught any.

Hol. Fr., pp. 2. *Add.*

15 Oct. **611.** Shouldham Priory.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 620.

Surrender of the monastery with all its possessions in Norfolk and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof, 15 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Robt. Swyfth, prior, Ric. Foster, sub-prior, *and eight monks*, Eliz. Fyncham, prioress, Jane Plomstede, sub-prioress, *and five nuns.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 40.]

Without seal. Stained.

Enrolled [*Close Roll, p.* 1. *no.* 69] as acknowledged the same day before Ric. Layton, the King's commissioner.

15 Oct. **612.** Richard Cromwell to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. iv. 204.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 146.

Rode on Sunday to Cambridge "to my bed." Was up betimes next morning expecting to have found at Ely Mr. Pollard and Mr. Williams, but they had left. Dined at Somersham with the Bp., and overtook them and declared your pleasure. Your Lordship will find the prior of Ely to be of a froward sort, from what we shall relate at our coming home. Have done nothing at Ramsey, except that overnight I communed with the abbot, whom I found conformable to everything that shall be at this time put in ure. When we have done with Ramsey we shall go on to Peterborough, from thence to my house and so home, where I trust to be in seven days. Ramsey, Tuesday morning, 15 Oct. *Signed.*

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15 Oct. **613.** Dr John London to Cromwell.

R. O.

I received, 14 Octobris, your letters by Mr. Vincent for me to give him the custody of the house of the Grey Friars of Stamforde, which I at once did. Within three hours after, the duke of Suffolk wrote that he trusted to have that house. When I had opened this to Mr. Vincent he was contented, trusting you would help him to another house of the Friars. The town would be helped by the Duke lying there. I have despatched the friars all well contented, and made the best I could of the moveables. It would help this town if men expert in clothing were planted here; moreover, the people complain that, if it were not for the mills on their stream,* vessels of 10 tons might come up to the bridge, but those who profit by the mills will not remove them. I have advised the honest men to open the matter to your Lordship. I keep the plate I found in these houses till I can send it up. I am riding towards Coventry and thence to Northampton, where my commission expires. Stameford, 15 Octobris.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Oct. **614.** W. [Barlow] Bp. of St. Davids to Cromwell.

R. O.

Has received Cromwell's letters with the injunctions enclosed, more welcome to him than any worldly treasure, "even as they freely express God's honour, the advancement of Christ's religion, and gracious purpose of our most Christian Prince." Will see them observed. If his suggestion for the

* The Welland.

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translation of the see is carried out, doubts not the diocese will shortly be thoroughly reformed. Complains that the steward Morys ap Herrye has restrained his deputies from allowing a rent of 8 mks. due to the Bp. from lands in Narbard, let by one of his predecessors to Roger Mortymer, sometime earl of March. It has been paid without interruption. Dr. Barnes will show Cromwell a copy of the record at Wygmore. Would rather have for it some small benefice of like value, to avoid the cumbrous molestation of crooked officers. Carmarthen, 15 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Oct. R. O. **615.** Edmund Boner to Cromwell.

On the arrival of Francisco the courier, yesterday about 5 p.m., good Mr. Wrisley, notwithstanding his weakness from the ague with which he has been so long troubled, communicated the letters sent to him and his companion, Mr. Vaughan, from the King and others, to my companion Mr. Brown and me, and semblably we did with them. He gave me a private letter written to him by gentle Mr. Solyman and asked me to do therein as I thought best, but to temper my writing so that it should be seen not to proceed of malice to the party. From Solyman's letter I perceive Mason confesses to the fact and words laid to his charge, but excuses it as done by Mr. Wyat's command. This must either be arranged between them or Mason wishes to excuse three faults thereby, viz.: speaking with Poole at St. Denis and Villa Franca and with Poole's servant towards Nice. When Poole, in his ungodly legation, was at St. Denis by Paris, Mr. Wyatt would not receive wine of him nor speak with him, but Mason spoke with him. That might be by Wyatt's counsel; but on the other occasion Bonner wrote of, Mr. Wyatt was in England, for he did not return till we were before Marseilles. Had Mason meant truly he would have been as ready to communicate with Mr. Heynes and Bonner as with Poole. Thinks Mr. Wyatt too wise to command Mason "earnestly to swear and wish that Mason's soul were joined with Poole's soul." The longer he considers the answer the worse he likes it. Fears that Mason, coming abroad and being at large, will boast himself faultless and accuse Bonner of malice. Compiegne, 15 Oct.

P.S.—Has just received a packet of letters from the ambassador of Portugal containing one to Bonner sent by Wyatt out of Spain, which he encloses, with another addressed to the Emperor's ambassador with the King. Wyatt is in such credit with the Emperor that no man is so meet to fill that room. Yet if some things were reformed in him he could do better, as surely he will do, Mason being absent from him.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal.

2. Sir Thomas Wyatt to Bonner.

R. O. Takes the opportunity of the bearer, M. de Selye, who goes first to the French king and then to the duke of Savoy, to write, though little of any importance has happened since he despatched Mr. Mason. Yesterday the Emperor departed towards Toledo. Wyatt is to follow in eight days but will be there before him by reason of his hunting. Desires him to forward a packet to the ambassador of the Emperor in England from his friends here. It would be well if Bonner had good intelligence of what passes at this meeting of the French king and the queen of Hungary. Is assured that nothing shall be treated there but pastime and good cheer and all the rest will be treated here; but it will do no harm to look about. Valladolid, 22 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Bp. elect of Hertford (*sic*) ambassador for the King's grace in the Court of France. *Sealed. Endd.:* Received the 17th October by a servant of th'mbassadors of Portingale at Compiegne.

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15 Oct. **616.** Don Diego Hurtado de Mendoça to Cromwell.

R. O. Is extremely grateful for the favour expressed to him by Cromwell, in his letter in the King's behalf. The letters of the ambassadors will show the state of affairs. The Queen is the most sure friend and sister the King could have. The English ambassadors who are here with the French king have sought permission to pay their respects to her; at which she has been gratified, and has greatly appreciated (*tenida en muncho*) their good civility and courtesy. Being hunting and on her journey, and because today she has gone to be feasted by the Constable at a house of his, she has not been able to receive them today. She does so on Sunday, when she will show the good will and love she bears to the King and his affairs.

The ambassadors Vrislej and Vagan have been referred to Brussels, as it is not a time to negociate in these festive interviews of brothers, and with them as with others, no negociations have has as yet been possible. They have shown the love the King has for the Queen, whom they have accompanied with much honour. The writer is shortly going to the Emperor and will do his utmost with the King's ambassador and with the Emperor to serve Cromwell. Compiegne, 15 Oct. 1538."

Hol., Spanish, pp. 3. *Sealed. Add.*

15 Oct. **617.** Florys d'Egmont, Count of Buren to Henry VIII.

Galba. B. x. 87. B. M. Thanks the King for his munificence to Michael Mercator, whose skill in constructing musical instruments, and in other arts, deserves royal patronage. His dexterity is no less in public and private business, which the Count has made trial of in these disturbances in Lower Germany. He is an ardent lover of peace, and hates nothing so much as those who create dissension. Desires credence for him. Brussels, 1538, 15 Oct.

Copy enclosed in the letter to Cromwell. Lat., pp. 2. *Add.*

15 Oct. **618.** Florys d'Egmont, Count of Buren, to Cromwell.

Galba. B. x. 86. B. M. Does not know which to congratulate most, the King on his servant, or Cromwell on his master. Would rather possess such friends as Cromwell than lands or jewels. Desires his favour for Michael [Mercator]. Brussels, 1538, 15 Oct. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Therle of Buere.

15 Oct. **619.** Anthoinette de Bourbon [Duchess of Guise] to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 19. Adv. Lib. Edin. Was glad to learn by Hanoncourt the good cheer made by the King and you, "que nayent (nayant?) depuys son retour eu mesage (*messagier?*) seur par quy vous le suses faire entendre nay eu contentement sy ne mestres lettres alaventure pour vous le donner entendre sete cy sera la premyere je continure jusque ace je sare il retournera quelcum vers vous."* As winter approaches there are likely to be few messengers. I have been quite proud (*bien fiere*) to see what the King has put in your letters written with his own hand. I will keep them *cherement.* I need not make answer to him till some one goes. I beg you to make my humble commendations to him. When I dare speak to him "en pleus grant surte," I will tell him "vos complexsion, et pour ce donnes vous garde de moy." Your father is in

* Apparently this means: "But not having had a sure messenger since his return to make you understand it, I was ill satisfied. If I do not put letters in hazard (by an insecure messenger) to intimate it to you, this will be the first. I will continue till I know of some one returning to you."

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Burgundy, but I think on the point of leaving for the Court. I hope to see him in passing. Our son* has been a little unwell with vomiting, which has brought on an access of fever, that surprised us a little, but that was all, and he has not been ill since. It has done him good, for he was too full (*trop plain*) and he is as well as ever, eats with good appetite, and sleeps ten or twelve hours. He is fat and round and very pretty. Your brother Francis thought he was dying; also your sister Renée. The fever continues with both. All the rest well. I am told your sister† "sen va tant en bon point que je ne (*n'ay*) peur que du trop. Il sen fault beaucoup elle tyegne riens des palles coulleurs." Your uncle and his daughter are still in Barois, where they make great cheer. The Marquis is at Court. The King has taken away his mourning (*luy a osté leduil*). "Lon dit il veult tout le reste loste; ausy je croy ne leur sera desplesir, car lacoustrement est facheus." Wishes her long life and a "beau filz, que tant vous desire (*desirez*)." 15 Oct.

Hol., Fr., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.:* Madame de Guise.

15 Oct. **620.** MELANCHTHON to JOACHIM CAMERARIUS.

Corpus Reform. III. 597.

* * * From England our people have not yet returned. The Turks defeated by the Wallachians. * * * Idibus Oct.

Lat. Add.: in Tubingen.

16 Oct. **621.** CROMWELL. to WYATT.

Harl. MS., 282, f. 213. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 341.

After receipt of your letters by Mr. Mason, upon signification by the Queen Regent of receipt of the Emperor's commission and good will, the King, after sending Mr. Wriothesley and Mr. Vaughan into Flanders with powers to treat and conclude, intends earnestly to join with the Emperor and sends this bearer, Mr. Hobby, a groom of the Privy Chamber, with letters and instructions. His Grace, thanking you for your diligence hitherto, requires you to declare his good affection, which is as sincere as could be desired, and the instructions "which do proceed of the very bottom of his good heart and pure stomach." If the matters are finished before March next, I trust then to get you leave to return. The King had sent Mason to you instead of this bearer but that he has a fever, as his letters will show. Mr. Hobby can declare occurrences here. London, 16 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

16 Oct. **622.** PHILIP HOBY'S INSTRUCTIONS.

Vitell B. XXI. 168.* B. M. Nott's Wyatt. 494.

"Instructions containing certain matters to be declared to the Emperor, sent by Philip Hoby, the 16th of October the 30th year of the King's Highness' most noble reign." ‡

As the King has appointed Philip Hoby, one of the grooms § of the Privy Chamber to resort to Sir Thomas Wiat, the King's ambassador in the Imperial Court, he is to take with him these instructions and the King's letters in his own handwriting and speedily take his journey thither. He shall first deliver to Wiat the letters addressed to him and these instructions; and after they have made themselves ripe in the whole term thereof, they shall notify Hoby's arrival to the Emperor, desiring access to deliver the King's letters. On obtaining an audience they shall deliver them, declaring his Highness' health, with vehement desire to hear the like of the Emperor; then coming to their

* Meaning the queen of Scotland's son, her own grandson, Francis duke of Longueville.

† Louise.

‡ This title is on a flyleaf. The text begins at f. 170, the last leaf of another document being inserted between.

§ "Gentlemen" in § 3. In the instructions as printed by Nott, he is simply called "one of his Grace's Privy Chamber" but the MS. from which Nott printed (Harl 282 f. 73) reads "one of *the grooms of* his Grace's Privy Chamber

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credence, they shall request him to take the overtures in good part and to promise on the word of a prince to disclose them to none but to such of his Council as shall be sworn to secrecy.

This obtained, they shall say that as the King understands the Emperor intends next year to go against the Turks in person, although he will doubtless before his departure consider all things for the assurance of his estate, yet the King would as a friend remind him to provide for the security of his son, the young prince of Spain, and is emboldened by friendship to suggest that to provide against any casualty he should be surrounded by trusty friends, for Henry hears of no one joined with him who during his minority might "stand him in friendly stead." Secondly, he would remind the Emperor that if it should please God to call him to his mercy, the Imperial dignity is elective, and the Almains will be loath to have a Spaniard for their superior. 3. That Milan takes investiture of the Emperor, "and that [in some cases] it is confiscable, as we understand [his chief] claim is now, or else the Frenchmen['s] claim by inheritance should serve them," so that there is no sure building there for his son's surety. 4. The Emperor may well consider what disturbances might arise in Spain if that expedition were unfortunate, his mother, Queen Johane being still alive and his son a minor. The case of his father, King Philip, showed this; whom, if the King (Henry VII.) had not aided "by colour of mamborneship," King Ferdinand of Arragon would have kept him from his rightful possession; "and yet for all that found such means (as it was said) that he soon after died." 5. That although the Emperor shall leave his son a great prince, lord of sundry great realms and ample dominions, they lie far asunder, Naples and Sicily far from Spain, and Flanders and the Low Countries far from both, etc. 6. That his uncle the King of the Romans, of whom he should have chief help, is far distant "and his countries standing very unhandsomely to give present aid and speedy assistance if need were."

The removal of these difficulties the King leaves to the Emperor and his Council; but if he desire to know Henry's opinion how to remedy them, Wyat and Hoby shall explain.

1. To establish his son and succession with assured friendship he thinks the Emperor should choose men of manifest ability who pretend no titles to any dominions that he intends to leave his son, and as his dominions are far apart he should have friends in divers parts to defend his right; *e.g.* he should leave Milan to Don Ludovic, Infant of Portugal, who is nigh of kin to his said son. The King thinks, "and somewhat therein knoweth," that the Italian princes would prefer "to have one amongst them there than that [the Emperor sho]ulde detain it still in his own cus[tody]," for in the latter case they will always fear "that he pretendeth the monarchy of all Italy." But giving it to Don Ludovic will be as good as keeping it to himself, and he may have it as well furnished with soldiers as now.

2. He should secure as allies some of the princes of Italy, as the duke of Ferrara, Mantua, or Florence, and allure them by kindness, for these pretend n[o title to] any of his dominions "and shall ever ho[pe for] his assistance to enjoy their own, the Emperor and his succession being mutually bound with them and theirs for the defence of each others' dominions."

3. As to Spain, they may say that if the King were as well acquainted as he has been in times past, he could give some counsel; but having now for many years had no practice in those affairs, he remits that wholly to the Emperor and his Council. He thinks, however, that both for Spain and Flanders he and his [realm] will stand him in as good stead as any prince or realm in Christendom; and if it will please him to go on with these alliances already begun it will be "a perdurable knot between their Majesties and posterities and a perfect union and surety for both their realms and

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dominions." They shall therefore urge the Emperor to avoid delays, which are always suspicious, and send his sister the Regent full powers to delegate ministers to conclude the same upon reasonable conditions, or else send Grandevile or Covos into Flanders fully instructed. The conclusion shall not be suspended by the King's declining to contribute a reasonable aid for Milan if he can have a fair equivalent.

4. They may tell the Emperor that if any slackness be imputed to the King it was owing to the unjust and unreasonable demands of his agents. Besides, "who would be glad to put his foot in the brere, and take the whole burden on his neck, these weighty causes afore rehearsed not being otherwise than his Grace knoweth of provided for? Also this new reconciled amity of old enemies now entire friends blew so strange a blast in his Grace's ears, so far from the surety of the Emperor's succession, that it had been enough alone to discourage his Highness from joining there, considering that besides the title of Milan there be so many [other] titles depending still between them, [as] Naples, the soverignty of Flanders, Geanes, and Pyemont, with Nice also." These things considered, was it wonderful the King thought they were dissembling with him? He hopes, however, that the Emperor will cause his commissioners henceforth to proceed sincerely.

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Ib. f. 60. 2. Draft of a portion of the preceding in the King's own hand.

P. 1. *Endd. by Sadler:* Certain things which the Emperor hath resolved to conclude with the King's Majesty.

Vesp. C. VII. 71 B. M. 3. An earlier draft, with corrections in the King's hand; differing materially from § 1.

In this there is a long addition to the first paragraph, instructing them how in their address to the Emperor they shall enlarge on the old alliance between "their Majesties' houses and progenitors" and the fraternal union between them "although some clouds and mists have been by chance interjected for a season and afterwards clearly vanished away," and how the cordiality of their alliance has been confirmed by the relation of Sir Thos. Wyat and Chappuys and also by the overtures made to the King by the Emperor from Villafranca; "which overtures, albeit his Highness took very thankfully and embraced them, yet, not to interrupt the conclusion of peace which was looked for at the meeting already appointed, he forbore to send a commission to conclude upon the same till the interview was over. Now, finding the Emperor stedfast and that he has despatched a commission to his sister the queen of Hungary, the King prepared to send commissioners to her, who have, in fact, arrived at her Court long ere this, and trusts the Emperor will instruct those on his part to proceed frankly and without delay.

(2.) Then follows as a *second* article (after a preamble about Henry's confidence in the Emperor's sincerity in the above matter and that a good conclusion will be arrived at, considering that their interests are "in manner one thing"), the part about the Emperor's proposed expedition against the Turks, and the dangers that may arise from it. But the suggestions how to meet those dangers are differently couched, viz:—

1. The King thinks the Emperor should not follow the "bruited and famed purpose" of bestowing Milan on such as would attempt further upon him under colour of old titles, but rather, in accordance with his overtures at Villafranca, give it to his "in manner very son" the Infant Don Ludovic of Portugal, with whom, in hope of the Emperor's stedfastnes, he has appointed commissioners to treat, in Flanders, a marriage with his daughter Mary. If the Emperor will thankfully and frankly so do, the King will not stick for pure kindness to bestow his other daughter Elizabeth, his niece lady

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Margaret,* "and therewith" the duchess of Richmond, by the said Emperor's advice, upon such of the princes of Italy as shall be thought convenient. Thus the King thinks the Emperor's estate in Italy would be best assured to him and his posterity.

2. As for the repression of seditions which might be stirred up in Spain or the Low Countries, the King offers at all times to act as a faithful ally and "a true father to the prince of Spain; and so to induce posterity to be joined with posterity in indissoluble and inseparable amity," England being most conveniently situated to help both Spain and the Low Countries.

"As concerning Spain within itself you may say" [Here follows the suggestion numbered (by the Editor) 3 in § 1. It occupies an entire page at f. 74, written wholly in the King's hand, and apparently was intended to be inserted here.]

3. In order to have more free communication on these matters, if the Emperor will appoint Granvelle to bring Don Ludovic to wait upon the Queen Regent and cause her, with the duchess of Milan, to resort to Calais, the King agrees to cross the seas and bring thither his daughter Mary, to receive the Queen, the Duchess, the Infant and Grandvelle, and so "conclude and proceed as it shall appertain."

[4,] The suggestion numbered 4 in § 1 is drafted in the King's own hand at f. 62, and was no doubt intended to come in here as a conclusion. It begins: "Furthermore ye may declare unto the Emperor, if, in communication, any slackness to be laid unto us."

Pp. 19. *Endd.:* The minute of th'instructions for Wyat and Hoby.

Harl. 282, f. 73 B. M. 4. The instructions actually sent, agreeing with § 1. (This is the copy from which Nott printed.)

Signed at the head.

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16 Oct. **623.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Sends by Edmund Power a dozen of the bills in articles, which must be set up in every place in your house, hall, chamber, gate, and other offices, that you being head may be a light to the inferiors. Sends also six injunctions with the late articles, which you are to intimate to such spiritual persons as you think good, with two "apces" (A.B.C.'s) in English. As to Lisle's own suits, tarries but for a "good hour." The curate of Our Lady church there is like to lose his preferment "by the commissary's sinister and subtle suggestions, which is his back-friend to my lord of Canterbury. It shall not be requisite other men love them when they be not uniform in themselves." London, 16 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

16 Oct. **624.** JOHN HUSEE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I send by Edmund Power, packed in a basket, two garnish of vessel, which I hope will please you: otherwise return them. I send the reckoning of the whole weight and exchange. The letters will be despatched tomorrow at furthest. I know my lord Privy Seal will rid them. I will never from his heels till it be done. The earl of Hertford is come. He of Bridgwater will be here by All Hallow tide. Mr. Fowler cannot speed with my lady Fitzwilliam for your Ladyship's lodging. The earl of Shrewsbury lies there. Mr. Fowler can get no quinces. London, 16 Oct.

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* Lady Margaret Douglas.

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16 Oct. **625.** MARGARET AUDELAY* to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have received your kind letters to my great comfort. I did not deserve such thanks either from the King or you, for any entertainment shown to his Grace's servant, George Allisbery, but have done my duty as a poor widow to one coming from his Highness. I have no intent of marriage to Allisbery or any other as yet; and if I ever shall have, "it is not he that I can find in my heart to take to my husband, of all creatures alive." I trust, as the King has always been gracious to other his poor widows, his Majesty will give me liberty to marry, if ever it be my chance, such a one as I may find in my heart to match me unto, otherwise I mean to remain in this estate during life. I beg you will excuse my coming up to London, as I have much business at this time about the will of my late husband. 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Oct. **626.** ADAM MYTTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has the keeping of three of the King's houses that were suppressed by the bishop of Douever, Visitor, in Salop (*i.e.*, Shrewsbury), called the Black, the Austin, and the Grey Friars. Was bold to write lately for Cromwell's favour, that he might be King's tenant of one of them, the rather as he is Cromwell's accepted servant, and also, being one of the "insenyscient" of that number. Has served the King in Parliament this 17 years, and this is the first thing he has sought of his Grace. Salop, 16 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal and High Ordinary. *Endd.*

16 Oct. **627.** BREWODE, OR BYRWOOD, PRIORY.

R. O. Surrender (by Isabella, the prioress, &c.) of the monastery with all
Rymer XIV. its possessions in cos. Staff., Worc., and Salop, and elsewhere in England,
626. Wales, and the marches thereof. 16 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *No signatures.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 11.]

Seal mutilated.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 42] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

16 Oct. **628.** LILLESHULL ABBEY.

R. O. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Salop,
Rymer, XIV. Staff., Derb., Warw., Leic., Ntht., Chester, York, Devon, Worc., Norf., and
626. elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 16 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Robert Watson, abbot, John Hall, prior, *and nine others, among whom are* John Rolles, sub-prior, *who signs with a mark, and* Thos. Maynard cellarer. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 27.]

Fair seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 41] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

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* Probably the widow of John Audeley, who made his will (Dyngeley 20, at Somerset House) 16 Aug. 1538, of which his widow Margaret was to be executrix, with bequests to his brother James Audeley, and the parish church of Bishop's Ichington. It was proved by deputy, 5 Sept. following.

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16 Oct. R. O. **629.** THOMAS LEGH, LL.D., to CROMWELL.

At the Blakladies,* I received a letter from Mr. Hennege (copy enclosed) containing the King's command for the preferment of Mr. Thomas Gifford to the farm of the house of Blakladies. There was Mr. Litleton also, who said the King was pleased *he* should have it, as he perceived by your Lordship when last in London. Wherefore I and Mr. Candisshe have put them both in possesion and sold the stuff to them both, till they know the King's further pleasure. Now being at Lilleshill, I intend to put Mr. Candisshe in possession of the farm of the house, who prays you that, in his absence, he be not in this behalf supplanted. Lilleshill, 16 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.* A° xxx°.

630. WM. CHORLTON to JOHN SCUDAMORE.

Add. MS. 11,041, f. 288. B. M. Wright's Supp. of Monasteries, 288.

Trusts his fever is amended. He wrote to Bostock and Byst to pay the money for the pensions of the late abbot and brethren of Lilleshall to the writer; but Bostoke has since gone to London about his master's business, and Byst says he has no money left in his keeping. Begs him therefore to pay the said late abbot and brethren their pensions and retain the fee which they have granted him. Wombridge.

Add.

17 Oct. R. O. **631.** WALTER DEVEREUX [LORD FERRERS] to LORD LISLE.

Thanks for the goshawk which I received by Wm. Grantam, your servant. When you send the wine, write to my place in Mark Lane, London, either to me, or the keeper of the house. I will pay you for it at our next meeting, and will make sure reckoning for your gelding. The King and Prince and your assured friend the lord Privy Seal are merry and in good health. My place in Marke Lane, 17 Oct. *Signed.*

Commendations to lady Lisle.

P. 1. *Add:* Deputy of Calais. *Sealed.*

17 Oct. R. O. **632.** EDW. EARL OF DERBY to CROMWELL.

Encloses the confession, made before divers gentlemen of Lancashire, and signed by them, of Thos. Parker, a young man of 17 or 18, who said, in many places between London and Lancashire, and in a town there called Liverpool, that the Earl was set in the Tower. He says he slandered by procurement of Matthew Norres, servant to my cousin lord Leonard, the King's lieutenant in Ireland, and Rauff Styrop was present at the said procurement. They both deny it. Norres is at large upon surety. Asks what is to be done with the others who are at my house in Lancashire by their own choice, rather than to be sent to the King's gaol for lack of sureties. Colham, 17 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

17 Oct. R. O. **633.** JOHN CHEYNYE to CROMWELL.

I thank your Lordship for your great goodness to me especially at my first acquaintance, at the coronation of queen Anne, when I made relation of my poverty and my long service to the late and present kings. There are certain parcels of land lying near to me belonging to Abingdon, lately suppressed, which I understand are not yet given, viz.:—the lordship of Charney, yearly value 38*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*, and Longworthe with Draycotte,

* The Black Ladies, or Benedictine Nuns, of Brewood in Staffordshire.

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42*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.*, which are partly in the holding of John Yate, merchant of the Staple. Would be greatly bound to Cromwell for these or others if they be given to him and his son and heir. Woddaye, 17 Oct.

Hol., not his own hand, p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

17 Oct. **634.** Stafford, St. Thomas' Priory.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 625.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Staff., Lanc., Derb., Leic., Warw., Chesh., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 17 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Whittell, prior, *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 41].

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1. *no.* 38] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

17 Oct. **635.** Wriothesley, Vaughan, and Carne to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 71.

Since despatching Barnaby have received by Francis, the courier, the King's letters and your Lordship's in answer to ours from Valenciennes with such commendation of our service as were enough to make men that were going apace glad to run till they broke their shins. We are now armed in spite of any sickness to go through all storms. Sent to the Regent to appoint a time for Mr. Brown's presentation to her. She appointed yesterday but put it off till today, as the French king has pressed her to go hunting. Last night Mr. Kerne arrived when most of us were in bed. Arranged by letter, as our lodgings were distant apart, to notify Don Diego that although we had made instance to speak with the Queen we would not press it as we heard she had been a little troubled in her head, and had been invited by the French king to visit Chauntlie, a house of the Constable's, nine leagues hence towards Paris, whither she was going to repair today. Received answer by Don Diego that she thanked us for our courtesy and at her return on Saturday or Sunday would not fail to hear us. Don Diego also sent word that he never saw her so well inclined to our matters in his life. Have notified to him the arrival of Mr. Kerne, whom we purpose also to present at our next access. We fear nothing but our own insufficiency to the handling of such weighty matters, for if the commission be made to the Queen she will sit with us at the first congress. As far as we can learn nothing is done here but festivity, which is confirmed by Wyatt's letter out of Spain. Much money is spent there in gay and costly apparel. The Burgundians it is said would be at home thinking long till the time of our return, which it is supposed will be on Thursday next at furthest. Compiegne, 17 Oct. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

17 Oct. **636.** Wriothesley to Cromwell.

R. O.

Has received Cromwell's kind letters, much to his comfort, both by Francis the courier, and by Dr. Kerne, who arrived here last night. Hopes to rise almost from death to live and serve his master. Has been terribly tormented and is still in great danger of his enemy, but the last battle was not so sore. Philip, whom Cromwell sent him, has done his part in purging him both by glister and purgation. Would like two or three tun of Cromwell's beer sent to Antwerp. If we remain we shall also need money. It cost him 80*l.* before he left London and almost 60*l.* at Antwerp, for sheets, bedding, &c. His expenses in post horses come to near 40*l.*, and since their setting up house, a day's expenses have been at least 15 crs. A partridge is worth here 10*d.*, and a woodcock as much. Has paid 3*s.*, more than a groat sterling, for an orange. Cannot afford a less train, for one man

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has to go to market, another to see to the meat at home. Gives other particulars. Begs Cromwell's favour to my lord of Bangor that his house* be not suppressed till Wriothesley can return "to be his advocate for his living." Had great comfort of him "when mine anchor hold failed me." Compiegne, 17 Oct.

Begs him to favour Mr. Godsalve's suit, who has desired Wriothesley to write for him. He is honest, and can do the King service. Refers to their common letter. Sends a letter for Signor Don Diego. Begs him to thank the Master of the Rolls who supplied him with two of his horses in lieu of two of his horses which failed.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

17 Oct. **637.** Vaughan to Cromwell.

R. O. As the King has been pleased, since his repair hither, to appoint him ambassador in these parts, a charge far weightier than (except that the unabling of himself seems to imply unwillingness to serve his Majesty) is meet for a man of so slender learning and judgment, implores Cromwell to consider how he is more meet to serve in the King's kitchen. Hopes that any mistakes he commits will be attributed to his want of capacity and not of fidelity. Is loth to mention the great expense they have been at, notwithstanding great economy. Will never be able to serve with 20*s.* a day without continual borrowing, and thus beggaring his wife and children. Refers to Wriothesley, who happily is well amended, in confirmation of this. Compiegne, 17 Oct.

Sends a piece of cardinal Pole's arms "which we caused the palmers in this town to tear and pull down" from a gate of an inn where he lodged when he was here.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

17 Oct. **638.** Edward Carne to Cromwell.

Calig. E. iv. 6. B. M. "[Please]th it your most honourable Lo[rdship this shall be to adver]tise the same that yesternight . . . . . I arrived hither, and incontinent th[ereupon I declared] to Mr. Wrythesley and Mr. Vachan t[he effect of his High]ness's commission according as it . . . . . and also made your Lordship's commen[dations unto them] according to your commandment; whereof [they were not] a little glad, and rejoiced as well . . . . . [that] your Lordship was merry and in health as . . . . . as concerning the affairs here committed . . . . . I have received such instructions of them [as they] could give unto me, trusting in [God that we] shall between us so devise further upon [these matters that] our proceedings shall be to the King's Highness' [and your Lordship's] contentation. I see not but we be all . . . . . willing to do service which doth ma . . . . . much help in such matters." Compeygne, 17 Oct. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Right edge much injured. Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Doctor Carne.

17 Oct. **639.** Bonner to Cromwell.

R. O. Can never recompense his kindness. Great incivility has been shown here to himself and Mr. Browne since the arrival of the latter. Men here are more unkind the more gently they are treated; "which for good reasons we take in good worth" till we hear the King's pleasure. Thinks it inexpedient

* Hyde Abbey, near Winchester.

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to write more plainly than hitherto lest private feeling be imputed to them. Have told nothing but the truth. Had no great occasion to send this courier (to whom he has given 40 crs., as he did to two others of his servants as well as to two whom he despatched to Antwerp) but that the King should know the state of their proceeding and what word he had received this day from Wyatt out of Spain, which pleased him not a little. Sends tidings received of an Italian, sometime servant of Sir Gregory de Casalis, a very honest fellow, to whom he has promised money and further help if he keep touch. Compiegne, 17 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

2. News from Rome.

Vit. B. xiv. 266. B. M. "Quanto s' intende di Roma alli x[xvij di Settembre]."

The match between S. Ottavio, son of S. Pier Luis and the Emperor's daughter, is concluded. She, however, is said to have a preference for Cosmo de Me[dici]. She is expected at Rome in October, where the marriage will be celebrated. Conditions made between the Emperor and the Pope about it:—the Pope to give her 15,000 ducats in Naples, &c. The Turk has crossed the Danube with 200,000 horse, and taken all the places king John held, and that . . . . . friendly to the said King in Poland . . . . . (?).

The Turk's armada. All these princes press the French king to aid the enterprise against the Turk. The Emperor will pass into Italy this Christmas. "I have from a good place that the Emperor makes every effort to gain the king of England, and will give him for wife the lady who was duchess of Milan." The marriage of S. Ottavio and the duchess of Florence will not be consummated until Easter.

English note at the end, in Bonner's hand:—These tidings delivered to me in writing. The bringer said that this 17 Oct. about 8 or 9 a.m., he heard the French king tell the Constable that he had heard out of Suysars that the Turk "had a great rupture in the further parts of Hungarie."

Italian, pp. 2. *Much mutilated. With some notes and translations (and the date,* 27 Sept.), *in a modern hand made before the mutilation.*

17 Oct. R. O. **640.** Sir Ant. Browne and Bonner to Henry VIII.

Since Barnabie left St. Quintyns, have neither been sent unto nor visited by any of the Court, nor has their lodging been bettered by any of the King's officers. Cannot obtain the answer promised at Suossons. On receiving the King's letters by Francisco on the 15th, went to consult with Mr. Wriothesley, who was suffering from fever, and Mr. Vaughan. Considering that the French king and Lady Regent were already here, and therefore the device expressed in the King's letters could not be carried out, Brown, under colour of paying his respects to the Lady Regent, being lately come hither, with Wriothesley and Vaughan, went to declare the said letters to her, while Bonner, being ambassador resident, tarried at his lodging to avert suspicion on the part of the French king. By Don Diego's help audience was fixed for the 16th, but the French king so pressed her to go hunting that day that she deferred it till the 17th, sending notice by Don Diego. Wriothesley reports the answer brought by Don Diego.

On the 16th, at 9 p.m.. Dr. Carne arrived with letters from Cromwell. This morning the Regent and duchess of Milan went with the French king and queen to Chantelie, a place of the Constable's, nine leagues hence, lodging this night at an abbey by the way, and as she was weary and somewhat diseased, sent word by Don Diego agreeing to put it off till her return. Compiegne, 17 Oct., almost at midnight. *Signed.*

In Bonner's hand, pp. 2. *Faded and slightly mutilated. Add.*

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17 Oct. **641.** Sir Antony Browne to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letter dated London, 12th inst., saying how graciously the King has taken their doings here. Since our last letters, we have found no amendment but the strangest fashion that has been seen, which makes him not a little to marvel, considering how often he has been here and honourably entertained. Does not care for himself, but for his sovereign lord. No time can be found to make him an answer of what he came for, though he has been here six days, and sees pass his window daily most part of the French king's Council and many of his Chamber, his old acquaintance, but they will not see "my lord alacke" (elect) and him. Reminds Cromwell how suddenly he was sent here, Mr. Samar and he having but one mail and nothing fit to follow a Court, especially this Court, which is never certain.

When the Regent is gone, the King will go either into Champagne or Brittany, and Browne is sure he will not tarry three days in one place.

To follow him who goes out of all highways, will not be possible, for he can get no horse. If my lord of Hardford had not lent Mr. Samar and him horses, they would have gone afoot before this. To do so he "unhorsed" himself; and now with travelling and ill lodging both are "almost unhorsed." Thinks he can do no service after obtaining the French king's answer, and the King has a sufficient man here. One of his four men and others of "my lord alaket" have been sick of ague. Comppayn, 17 Oct. 11 p.m. Mr. Samar's recommendations.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

642. [Henry VIII. to Sir Ant. Browne].

R. O. St. P. VIII. 73. Perceives by his letters and those of his colleague* the slender reception he has had, although he is the King's ambassador. Marvels at this in "a country called of so much civility." As soon as you have visited the Queen Regent as appointed in our former letters, which no doubt you have done before this, you shall repair to "our good brother" when busy in hunting or otherwise and say that you and your colleague have awaited his answer until the time appointed for your return by our last letters [and after the receipt of your second letters to us from St. Quintyns]† is expired and ask him for leave to depart saying that your colleague the bp. of Hereford will still remain to receive his answer. Whatever answer he make, return hither at once.

Corrected draft, pp. 2.

18 Oct. **643.** John Alen, Chancellor of Ireland.

See Grants in October, No. 22.

18 Oct. **644.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Has this day delivered the King's letters to my lord Chancellor and judges, so no fear the matter will be stayed. I received your letter, by Hollyng . . ., whilst in Westminster Hall, and am grieved not a little that you wished yourself where you should never be seen, considering how good lord the King is to you, and the lord Privy Seal also. "Yea, and all others should fail, God never deceived any that trusted in Him," for He hath, "and will relieve his chosen and elect in their need." Sad it is that you who can so well advise others should now fall into this sudden agony and exclaim that God and the world have forsaken you. What will be said when you "being ever called the pleasantest witted in the world, should so suddenly be changed?" Exhorts him to remit all to God. Will do his best touching my lord Marquis, till he knows what Anthony says about the

* Bonner. † Crossed out.

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quittance. Thinks Angell will be well [han]dled at his coming. Will do what he can for the subsidy. Will inform him what Mr. Smythe can do concerning the 100*l.* Hears nothing of Stowers. Trusts Sir Aungell will explain the release of Segyngworthe when he comes. Looks daily for Mr. Popley. Mr. Wynsor must restore Lisle's verdures. At Mr. Richard's coming home, will deliver Lisle's letter with [the b]ucks. Since Bonham does not come, will attempt some other for Soberton. London, 18 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Endd. by Lisle. Below the letter is written in another hand:* "Sit cibis (*sic*) igni."

19 Oct. **645.** [Cromwell] to Mr. Sullyard, Justice of Flintshire, and Roger Brereton, Sheriff of the Same.

R. O. About this time three years, the see of St. Asaph being then void, the King gave the parsonage of Whytforde, then void by resignation, to a scholar of his own in Oxford called Hugh Whytford,* who will have been in possession three years by January next; but the benefice is claimed by one Mr. Henryson, by colour of an advocation by the bp. of St. Asaph granted in his lifetime who has moved an action of *quare impedit* before you in Flintshire, which the King's pleasure is that you surcease as it concerns the right of his crown, and remit both parties to his Highness for final order. London, 19 Oct. *Not signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

19 Oct. **646.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 405. "This bearer, Mr. Acton, is altogether yours under the King's grace to be whereas your Lordship shall think his service most necessary, but when he is above, then we must lack him here beneath." He can tell the proceedings in our sessions. 19 Oct. at Hartl'.

The prior of the Black Friars in Worcester, Ric. Edwards, when he surrendered his house, was promised his capacity freely both for himself and his brethren. I tolerate him in my diocese, and trust you will favour him.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

19 Oct. **647.** Albert Duke of Mecklenburg to Henry VIII.

R. O. Has received with pleasure the King's letters of 4 Sept. and learned also from the bearer that certain English subjects lay claim to a ship and goods seized by Gotschalcus Remlingrod, merchant of Revel (*Reualienssi*) from Livonia. Heard nothing of the claim till the goods had been consumed partly in the voyage and partly on landing; but has heard quite a different account of the matter maintained by the parties in the presence of the bearers of the King's letters. Still, would have been glad to gratify the King if his letter had arrived earlier. "Datum in nostra arce Luptze" (Lubitz or Lups). Saturday after St. Luke's Day, 1538.

Has given a private message to the King's envoy.

Copy. Latin, pp. 2. *Begins:* Sereniss. ac potentiss. Rex.

20 Oct. **648.** St. Thomas of Acon, London.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 619. Surrender of the house with all its possessions in the city of London and co. Kent, and elsewhere in Egland and Wales and the marches thereof. 20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Laurence Gopferler, master, and Thos. Lynne. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 29.]

Fine seal.

Enrolled (*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 67) as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, King's commissioner.

* *See* Vol. X., No. 226. It will be seen that the letter in Vol. XII. Pt. I., No. 950, is out of place, belonging really to the year 1540.

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20 Oct. **649.** JOHN FREMAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Dr. Legh has sent me word he had a commission to suppress Bardney and give me the farm of the demesnes for which I have been a suitor. I have since received another commission and a letter from you to deliver possession to Mr. Turwit and Mr. Hennage's brother. I think the commission must have been "labored owte by an unsassiate sutell burder, who would no man should take burdes but himself, which I think watched your Lordship in the dark when he gat your hand to the commission; for it is not only razed nor interlined out of course, but also commissioners set in the same not accustomed, nor I know not from whence they come nor where to have them, except Wiseman, the auditor, who is with me." He had of late an abbey from the King, which might have sufficed him. When the house is dissolved I will send you the state thereof. I would like the farm of Spalding if it be not granted. Dr. Legh should be included in the commission for its dissolution, as he comes to me in Lincolnshire to suppress Bardney. There are 11 abbeys in Lincolnshire, great and small, still standing. Lowthe, 20 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Oct. **650.** The MAYOR and ALDERMEN of COVENTRY to CROMWELL.

R. O. The King's commissioner, Dr. London, is now at Coventry to suppress the two houses of friars for their demerits, and though we have asked him to forbear till we should hear from your Lordship about leaving the churches, or at least one of them, standing, we find him very hard. For all we can do, he has defaced the church of the Grey Friars and begun to do the like with the White Friars, but by great entreaty we have got him to stay as to the latter till we have sent to your Lordship for help. We beg you to intercede with the King that we may obtain the same, with the houses and gardens, else it will be a danger and decay to the city. Coventry, 20 Oct. *Signed* "by Wyllyā Coton, mayre"—"Roger Wygston, recorder"—"Thomas Banwell"—"Richard Herryng"—"Thomas Dodd"—"Thomas Astelen"—"Roger Walles"—"Hugh Lawton"—"Roger Palmer"—"Robt. K[i]rvyn"—"John Jett"—"Xpofer Waid"—"Henry Over"—"Xpofer Waren"—"Symon Parker." (*Several of these signatures appear to be in the same hand.*)

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

ii. A rental of the house and gardens of the Carmelite or White Friars of Coventry, viz., of 31 houses and 11 gardens specified by tenants' names or otherwise. Total, 5*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.*

20 Oct. **651.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. At my late being with you, your Lordship expressed yourself concerning my cousin Dr. Legh. On my return, meeting him at None Eton, I laid his fickle dealing to his charge; not being content he should act so, seeing it was for my sake he had his friendship at the King's hands and yours. He, "by many great othe," protested he never meant to displease you. He has now written letters to me; which I herein enclose, begging you to continue your favour to him, and to have my matters in remembrance. Montgomery, 20 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Bp. of Chester.

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652. THOMAS LEGH, LL.D. to [BP. ROLAND LEE].

R. O. My very good Lord, I thank you for your pains taken in my house at London. I have spoken with Mr. Strete for the suppression of St. Thomas's, but I would your Lordship should write to my lord Privy Seal for your own matter and to thank him, for he told me he would move the King for you and your heirs to have St. Thomas's, and no doubt the King will be content, "and in deed it is all one." Remember to write to my Lord to put away sinister suspicion and be not light of credit against me; mistrust without cause is very displeasant. Mereval, this Sunday.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.*

20 Oct. **653.** BLACK FRIARS, NORTHAMPTON.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 614. Surrender (by Wm. Dyckyns, prior, &c.) to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. Appointing Thos. Gyfte and Thos. Williams as attorneys to receive and deliver the premises. 20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Dyckyns, *and seven others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 34.]

Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 13] without mem. of acknowledgment.

20 Oct. **654.** WHITE FRIARS, NORTHAMPTON.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 613. Surrender to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. John Walklynge and Thos. Gyfte, laymen, to be attorneys to receive and deliver the same. 20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Howell, prior, John Haryssun, sub-prior, *and seven others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 34.]

Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 4] without mem. of acknowledgment.

20 Oct. **655.** BLACK FRIARS, WARWICK.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 610. Surrender, to John London, clk., to the King's [use], of the house and all its possessions in England. Appointing John Walkelinge and Thos. Williams, laymen, as attorneys to receive and deliver the premises to the said John London. 20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Norman, prior, Ric. Wulton, S.T.B., Nic. Alexander, subprior, *and four others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eight Report, App. II. 47.]

Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *no.* 66, *which is very illegible*] as acknowledged same day before the said John London, King's commissioner.

20 Oct. **656.** DIEULACRES ABBEY.

Close Roll. p. 1, No. 40. Rymer XIV. 625. Surrender, (by Thomas, the abbot, &c.) of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Staff., Chester, Lanc., Derb., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

20 Oct. **657.** WETHERALL PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 609. Surrender of the priory, the rectory of Wetherhall, the lordship and the rectory of Morland, Westmld., the rectories of the parish churches of St. Laurence and St. Michael in Apleby, Westmld., and all other possessions of the priory in cos. Cumb. and Westmld., and elsewhere in England.

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657. WETHERALL PRIORY—*cont.*

20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ralph Harley, prior, *and* John Clyfton, monk. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 48.]

Seal much injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *no.* 62] as acknowledged, 28 Jan., before Thos. Legh, one of the clerks of Chancery.

20 Oct. R. O. St. P. III. 102. **658.** THOMAS ALEN to CROMWELL.

Country quiet and great resort to the law, which is a sign of peace. This due not only to the Deputy's martial feats, but also to the Council's industry and policy. The Deputy reports that Mr. Sentleger shall be Deputy, and Mr. Moile Chancellor, and attempts to recover favour in the Council. He practises to bring in his nephew, Kildare's son. The Deputy should not be changed until the beginning of summer, and meanwhile Cromwell should write that the King will not remove him. A bp. and a friar* acquitted at the last sessions at Trym because most of the authorities (except the lord Treasurer, and very few) are papists, hypocrites, and worshippers of idols. Anger of the Abp., Mr. Treasurer, and the Master of the Rolls at this. Their refusal to enter the chapel where the idol of Trym stood, although the Deputy knelt before her. The Deputy and Mr. Treasurer now in the North to expel the Scots from lands they have usurped in Lecale. Dublin, 20 Oct.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Oct. R. O. **659.** WM. BRABAZON to CROMWELL.

In favour of bearer, an honest and discreet young man against whom complaints have undeservedly been made to Cromwell. Sent him this after he had left Ireland, for he was in doubt whether to resort to London. 20 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[20 Oct.] R. O. **660.** RICHARD ABBIS to CROMWELL.

Twenty-five days ago† I wrote your Lordship from Cadix by a ship of Sir Thos. Spertt's. I tarry here still with my ship for merchants to lade her home, and since my last have been at Sevyll and saw great "ocapyeng with ships to the Indies." The riches are not so great as is reported, but still much riches have come in from the Indies, else this country had been near *despoblado* ere this. Many merchants, &c., daily decay by the Indies. The best news is that the cardinal of Sevyll,‡ one of the bp. of Rome's disciples, is dead, and the Emperor has put in a doctor of law, Lysensyado Caravaziall, as his deputy in the archbishopric, and has levied 60,000 mks. a year of the spiritualty for years, "which is a beginning to abate part of the great blood sowpers in this country; to write your Lordship of their abomynas[ions] it is too tedious." Our nation is abhorred because the King writes himself Supreme Head, and they will not admit any "writing of power" containing that title, as was done lately to "Mr. Rochis son of London, the alderman," who came to Seville to recover 12,000 ducats of Thos. Howell's for the Drapers Hall. As Howell died in Seville a traitor to the King, his goods should be the King's and might be recovered by a letter from the King to the Emperor, otherwise they will never be recovered from Howell's executors, who are Pedro Spen . . . and Antony Spenoso, cambyadors of Seville. Howell left 14,000 ducats, from which his executors get 2,100 ducats a year; he also left 31,000 ducats in "cambys" (exchanges). Here is a base brother of

* Apparently the bp. of Raphoe mentioned in No. 159, and the friar of Mullingar mentioned in No. 769.

† *See* No. 429.

‡ Alfonso Manriquez de Lara, who was killed by being thrown from his horse about Oct. 1538.

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Howell named James à Morgan of Wales, whose children Howell made his heirs. He has lain here twelve months and can get nothing. I would recover the said money for the King or your Lordship. Two days ago came here Ric. Hore with a testimonial from Barber, the notary of Lombard Street, alleging that the ship I bought of Sir Thos. Spertt was taken from him perforce, and appealing to the justices here because he could have no justice in England. I trust to prove him a traitor and have him in prison for debt till I know your pleasure. Please desire Mr. Spertt not to be hasty with my father for his money. San Lucar in Andolozia, anno 1538.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

20 Oct. **661.** The Duchess of Florence.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 255. B. M.

Two copies of a draft, sent from Toledo 20 Oct. "1537" [1538], of an act of revocation to be required of the duchess of Florence of a power which she gave to Aguilar to conclude her marriage with Ottavio Fernes, son of Pier Luis Fernes, duke of Castro, on the ground that she gave it under constraint and afterwards revoked it by a declaration.† It is to be witnessed by Lope Hurtado de Mendoza and Margarita de Rojas, and has spaces left for date and signature of witnesses.

Spanish, pp. 3. *Headed as* sent from Toledo 20 Oct. 1537 (*sic*). *Modern copy, from Simancas.* [See *Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. No. 20.]

20 Oct. **662.** Card. Ravenna to Card. Contarini.

Poli Epp. III. cclvi.

Rejoiced to hear by M. Melchior of his health. Is glad that he and the card. of England have had some satisfactory intercourse at Ravenna. They would, no doubt, excuse the quality of the place and the writer's absence.

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Ferrara, 20 Oct. 1538.

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21 Oct. **663.** The Star Chamber.

Lansd. MS. 6, f. 33. B. M.

In a catalogue of punishments for forgery adjudged by the Star Chamber, the first is:—

21 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. John Butler, for forging false obligations, was adjudged to stand in the pillory at Westminster Palace, and also at London, on a market day.

The MS. is in an Elizabethan hand.

21 Oct. **664.** King's College, Cambridge, to Cromwell.

Faustina, C. III. 460. B. M.

Expressing their great obligations to Cromwell, especially for the goodwill shown to them in his conversations with their provost, Day. Are too poor to reward him, but hope he will relieve their poverty by his influence with the King. The bearer, provost Day, will further express their meaning. Cambridge, xii. kal. Nov.

Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* D Crumwello, D. Privati Sigilli et Regiæ Maj. a consiliis secretioribus domino. *Endd.*

21 Oct. **665.** Antony Kyngston to Cromwell.

R. O.

Recommending the bearer, Cromwell's servant, Morgan Jonys. There are many "pretty things" in Gloucestershire wherein Cromwell may prefer him. Paynswiche, 21 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

† *See* Part I. No. 1357.

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666. STAFFORDSHIRE MONASTERIES.

Add. MS. 17,041, f. 86. B. M. Wright's Supp. of Mon. 266.

Account by John Scudamore of sales made of stuff of divers monasteries in co. Staff. 23 Sept. to 21 Oct. 1538:—

Bordesley.—Sale made 23 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. Items (specified) purchased by Ralph Sheldon, Mr. Markeham, Fulk Greville, a servant of the bp. of Worcester, Mr. Morgan, and Thos. Norton. *Grey Friars, Stafford.*—Sale, 27 Sept. Purchasers, Edw. Scudamore, the town of Stafford, bailiff of Stafford, Rob. Doryngton, and a number of others (named). Buildings sold to Jas. Lusone; the wall next the town to the township. There are two bells, one a "sauncebelle," and the other of 10 cwt. Estimate of lead. *Austin Friars, Stafford:*—Sale, 27 Sept. Purchasers named: some of them the same as in the Austin Friars. Buildings sold to Jas. Leuson and others. Estimate of remainder. *Grey Friars, Lichfield:*—Sale, 4 Oct. Many purchasers named. *Crokesden:*—Sale, 15 Oct. Purchasers Mr. Basset, Sir Thos. Gilbert, and Edm. Wetheryns, of Chekeley parish, and John Ferne. *Rouceter:*—Sale 16 Oct. Purchasers John Forman, Wm. Loghtonhouse, and Wm. Bagnall. *Hylton:*—Sale, 21 Oct., to Stephen Bagott.

Pp. 9 (*long narrow pages*).

21 Oct. R. O. St. P. VIII. 74.

667. WRIOTHESLEY, VAUGHAN, and CARNE to HENRY VIII.

Although we have nothing further to report, as our entry into communication is delayed, we take the opportunity of this messenger to signify that we find the Regent and nobles on that side all favourable, to outward appearance. Refer further to the bearer, Mr. Browne. Compiegne, 21 Oct. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

21 Oct. R. O. St. P. VIII. 75.

668. WRIOTHESLEY to CROMWELL.

I received your letter by Barnabe with the other writings, and like the same right well, hoping the device will succeed. Does not trust men's countenances; trusts rather that they see us as necessary for the Emperor as he is for us, and that he cannot find another like alliance in Christendom. "For this I take for a plain resolucion that whatsoe[ver] h . . . . . s. . . . said he woll never put Myllain in the [French king's] h[ands ne y]et in [none] other hande that he shal not accompte himself and his posteritie sure of." * If it came into his possession "whose appetite he knoweth stank satiable" he must bid a *vale* shortly to all the rest he has in Italy, and he would be glad to get us to join him to keep it from their hands. Thinks the bestowal of his two kinswomen may also move him, and the remembrance of the friendship shown him by the King. Complains of want of instructions what to offer in treating of the two marriages. States the course they intend to pursue until otherwise instructed. Will endeavour to get them to state their terms first, and if they press to begin with the marriages, will take first that which touches the lady Mary and bind them chiefly to three points: (1.) That Don Loys shall by a certain day be invested in Milan, with remainder to the heirs of their two bodies. (2.) That they shall take her as she is, and never make any claim by her, but in default of issue, male or female, "that title to be given unto her now by the King's Majesty as the same hath been offered." (3.) If he should hereafter succeed by her right to the Crown of England, he shall be bound to all the laws of the realm at this day in ure without alteration. As for the dower, time of marriage, her traduction and her return at liberty, &c., hope to arrange pretty well. As to the other marriage,† mean first to press that the King may see her, "after to taste them for the payment of her dowry by

* This mutilated passage is mis-read in the State Papers in some words.

† That of the King with the duchess of Milan.

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assignment in Flanders;" for the title of Denmark and aid to the recovery of the same, "which I care not for my little wit though it were scraped out of the book. For her traduction, time of solemnisation and other things we shall jomble with them all we may till we may hear more certain matter from thence." If they should in respect of straiter amity, press us for aid against the Turk or contribution to the defence of Milan, we purpose against those things to set our pension, and see what aid they will give us to compel the French to pay it; and also demanding that they shall take no peace without the King.

The duke of Arschot's son is going to the Emperor in post with news of this gay entertainment, and as we hear, Don Diego also goes shortly. The duke of Vendôme is a great wooer to the duchess of Milan, but we hear not that he receives any comfort. Hear that the treatment of Mr. Browne and his colleague† has been as different as possible from theirs. Thinks the 100*l.* Cromwell gave him, and the plate that he * * * would have been missed for the King's reputation; for without it in this triumph they should have been miserable ambassadors, but have done their best for the King's honour, as Mr. Browne and Mr. Seymour can declare. Compiegne, 21 Oct.

Mr. Browne and Mr. Kerne were also honourably treated by the Regent.

Begins: "Pleaseth your Lordship." *Injured by damp, gall-stained, and mutilated.*

22 Oct. **669.** Chicksand Priory.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 607.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in co. Beds. and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 22 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John the prior *and six monks, the last being* John Whyt the confessor, *and by* Margaret Burton, prioress, *and* 17 *nuns.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 16.]

Seal slightly injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *no.* 45] as acknowledged same day before Ric. Layton, LL.D.

22 Oct. **670.** Derlegh Abrey.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 625.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Derb., Notts., Staff., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 22 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Rag, abbot; Wm. Stanbanks, prior; Ric. Machyn, sub-prior; *and* 10 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 16.]

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 39] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

22 Oct. **671.** Sir Ric. Gresham to Cromwell.

R. O.

Has offered the King to purchase of him certain lands belonging to the house of Fountains to the value of 350*l.* a year, at 20 years' purchase, deducting from the amount 1,000*l.* which he delivered, by the Cardinal's command, to the duke of Buckingham when he went to Guisnes, in return for which the Cardinal received of the Duke two bonds, in which he and Sir Thos. Woodehowsse and others stood bound to the King. These bonds were delivered to the Cardinal by Mr. Mekelowe, treasurer of the King's Chamber, for the express purpose that Gresham should be repaid in customs, which he is not yet. Of the remaining 6,000*l.*, will pay 3,000*l.* in hand and the rest in yearly instalments of 500*l.* Begs Cromwell to learn the King's pleasure. London, 22 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

† Bonner.

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22 Oct. **672.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. By bearer I received your letters to the lord Privy Seal, Mr. Rolle, and others, which I have delivered. I also delivered to my lord Privy Seal's yeoman of his cellar the piece of French wine. I presented it to my Lord saying it must be drunk out forthwith. He asked if it were good, and I told him no better came from Calais this year. He thanked you, and said that, where you wrote that you would not lay his promise to his charge, he would not fail to do his best in your suits for the annuity and the Friars. As to the obtaining of new letters to the earls of Bridgewater and Hertford, he says that shall not need, as the King's pleasure is already declared in writing to my lord Chancellor and the judges of the Common Pleas. When my Lady comes she shall not lack the best that he can do for her. Where you write that you know of no warrant of 19*l.* to Geo. Rolles: at my last being at Calais, my Lady, standing in the great window in the chamber, asked you for it, and then commanded me to make it. Then at my coming to Dover, my Lady, at her departing from thence to Calais, signed and sealed my patent, and at your departing overnight you signed and sealed my said patent and the said warrant, and also a warrant for Worley. Reminds Lisle that he cannot live without money, but if it seem ill earned he is willing to return it. Mr. Smith of the Exchequer says that if Lisle had followed his counsel, and sued out process against Sir Weston Brown's son and heir before the recognisance was forfeited, Lisle and the others who were in that bond should have been discharged. Now the King has 180*l.* of his goods, which was worth 300*l.*, and there is paid by my lord of Sussex, lord Ferrers, and lord Hussey 300*l.*, so that the King is more than full paid, and yet the heir charged with the whole; and all this cannot discharge Lisle unless the heir come to account, which can only be at the King's suit. If he account, the King must of very conscience release Lisle. Both Mr. Smith and Mr. More promise their assistance. As to the subsidy, there is no help in the Exchequer: Lisle should write a gentle letter to Vincent Monday and Mr. Smith, my lord Chancellor's servant, who are the collectors.

My lord marquis Dorset will have no less than 30*l.* a year, but if you write him a loving letter he will perhaps take 20*l.* a year. As to lodging for my Lady, Mr. Rolle is sorry he has no room. Cannot as yet get the bows from Sir Chr. Morrys, who promises them at the King's price. As Mr. Bonham comes not I will do my best to get another merchant for Soberton. Mr. Bryan is well amended, and Mr. Speccott will homeward in eight days. I send a letter of my lord Privy Seal's which a Frenchman delivered me. As to the furtherance of Dodyngton and his fellow I will do my best, but their writings are very slender. As for Paynswick, my lord Privy Seal's counsel have shown me that you appointed for it with my Lord at Dover and promised to get my Lady's consent. This Mr. Polsted showed me. Asks instructions. I send by bearer the indenture betwixt Mr. Dudley, my lord Delaware, and you, which Mr. Smith delivered me three days ago. My Lady's jointure is as sure as learned counsel can devise. It has been very ill kept, as you will see; I bought this box to save it. Your bailey of Kybworth says you lose for lack of a steward there, and desires you to make no grant of any hold there till you hear from him. London, 22 Oct.

Debank is here now for his pension. You shall find a bond of his kinsman's in the chest that came from Soberton: if it be sent I will put the executors in suit. Ryngeley continues his suit.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

22 Oct. **673.** [SIR] J. RUSSELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. I have received your commendations by my lord Admiral, and perceive how much I have been bounden to your Lordship in my absence,

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for your good report of me. Begging your Lordship, if the King ask for me, to make my excuse ; for I have not been well since my sickness, but this week only. I trust to be at Court this Allhallowmas. Cheynes, 22 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* A° xxx°

22 Oct. R. O. **674.** Dr. John London to Cromwell.

After I last wrote, I searched and found the conduit of the late Grey Friars is set almost a mile from Coventry, and is better than that of the town and has a better head : much of the city shall lack water if they do not purchase it of the King. Here I have laid down the idolatry of two chapels where offering was to an image of Our Lady and to a "rode." There is a very evil custom in Coventry, grounded upon the insatiable covetousness of the monks. In all Coventry be but two parish churches, which stand with the priory as it were in one churchyard in the heart of the city. When pestilence reigns, the curates of both churches collect the corpses at the great church door of the priory in the cemetery and there leave them till after *dirige* or mass in the parish church. Then a rich man pays a noble or 10*l.* (*qu*, 10*s.* ?), or a poor man 12*d.*, for assoylement, and all, even if they be 20, and all died of the plague, must lie in the porch till the monk with his stole give them (as they call it) assoylement. I have advertised the prior to leave it, and you will do well to annul it. If the town could obtain the White Friars' church and churchyard it would be a more wholesome burial ground, for it lies out of the heart of the city. Coventry, 22 Octobris.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.* : Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Oct. R. O. C.'s Letters, 384. **675.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

Recommends Nicholas Bacon, of Gray's Inn, for the vacant town clerkship of Calais, and asks him to write to the mayor and other officers to elect him. Lambeth, 23 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Oct. R. O. **676.** Thos. Prior of Christchurch, Canterbury to Cromwell.

Thanks Cromwell for his letter received by his servant, John Anthony, allowing the writer to keep his present lodging for life. It is but a poor thing, but nigh the church and a place he has long continued in. Hears from Anthony that Cromwell will also be good lord to him in matters concerning his living. Knows not how to help himself without Cromwell's favour, without which he would rather die than live, if it were God's pleasure.

Anthony will take Cromwell an answer to what he wrote concerning his servants, the said Anthony and Ant. Auger, with which the prior hopes he will be content. Canterbury, Wednesday, 23 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.* : Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Oct. R. O. **677.** Vice-Chancellor and University of Cambridge to Cromwell.

When they consider the King's ardent desire for the increase of virtue and good learning and Cromwell's continued and propense furtherance of the same, they cannot but have great hope that by turning the houses dedicated to vain religion, into colleges of true and sincere doctrine, learning and virtue will be greatly augmented. Hear that Master Hynde, sergeant at law, who has not always been "friendful" to the university, is appointed keeper of the Grey Friars, the custody whereof was given by the Visitors to the university. Fear this will be prejudicial in their suit for obtaining the forfeited houses to be converted into places of learning, which they hoped, from Cromwell's comfortable words, would be speedily brought to pass. Beg that the university, "who" now is in possession of them to the King's behoof, may still keep them, till the King wishes otherwise to employ them. Desire credence for the bearer. At Cambridge, in our regent house, 23 Oct.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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23 Oct. **678.** [Mayor and Corporation of] Northampton to Cromwell.

R. O. Remind him of their last suit to him at Antell for help considering the great charges of their feefarm. Hearing that the four friar houses in the town are likely to be suppressed, ask him to speak to the King that the town may have part of them. Northampton, 23 Oct. *Subscription lost.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The maior of Northampton and his brethren.

23 Oct. **679.** Mayor and Corporation of Saltash to Cromwell.

R. O. Complain of wrongs done to them by divers evil-disposed persons concerning the liberties of the town in the water of Thamer. Desire credence for the bearer. Without help, they will not be able to pay the King's ferm. Saltayshe, 23 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.:* Willm. Brende, Mayre of the Kynges Graces seid town of Saltayshe—William Hechyns—Nycollase Trawyse—Peter Grayslus—Thomas Helyer*—John Barret*—Robert Lucas*—Edward Lambard—Edmond Rethe*—John Grygge*—Robt. Wyll*—Edward Saunders*—John Cossyn—Rychard Marke—John Gayche*—Thomas Gayche*—Edward Roddan—John Androwe.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

23 Oct. **680.** France and the Low Countries.

Egerton MS. 990, f. 386. B. M. Leonard II. 412. Additional articles to the treaties of Nice and Bony, agreed to between Francis I., and the queen of Hungary. La Fere, 23 Oct. 1538.

French, modern copy, pp. 7.

24 Oct. **681.** Dale Abbey.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 626. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Derb., Notts., Leic., Ntht., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 24 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Bebe, abbot, Ric. Wheytteley, prior, *and* 15 *others, three of whom sign with marks.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 18.]

No seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 47] as acknowledged before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

24 Oct. **682.** S. Vaughan to Cromwell.

R. O. As the bearer who brought me a horse from my wife, returns into England, I thought good to write, though I have no matter of importance, of our arrival at Cambraye from Compiegne this day. We were desired by the Regent's secretary, as she intends in her return to lie in villages, to go before her to Brussels, for she would not have us troubled with evil lodgings by the way. As this was Mr. Wriothesley's sick day, we rest in Cambray till tomorrow morning. We will write in a day or twain by post. Of an Italian of some credit I learned that the Turk took three ships and two galleys of Andreas Doria. "Mr. Wryothesley lying on his bed and in the midst of his fit hath him most humbly commended to your Lordship." Cambrey, at 3 p.m., 24 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Flanders.

* All these signatures are in the same hand as the mayor's; the others appear to be autographs.

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24 Oct. **683.** SILVESTER DARIUS to [JAMES V.].

Royal MS. 18 B. VI. 53. b. B. M.

"Sanctissimus dominus noster, recon[ci]liatis ac penitus pacatis [Cæ]saris Regisque Christianissimi animis, ex Nicea Masylien . . . . . [ea] qua decuit pompa et hilari fronte a senatu populoque R[omano] acceptus fuit, Sanctitatique suæ ut optimo et Sanctissimo pontifici e[t] principi (?) triumphales arcus erecti fuere, in quibus et status et titul[us fa]berrime sculpti tanti monumenti laboris vel potius pietatis erga rempublicam Christianam spectabantur, gratiæque Deo Optimo Maximo actæ quoniam justa Sanctitatis Suæ desideria fæcundaverit." The Pope, together with the Emperor and the Venetians, has equipped a great fleet, with Andrew Doria for general. Barbarossa has taken three or four of our galleys and a merchant ship. It is said that the Venetians refused to assist in this battle. The Emperor has promised in marriage to Octavius Farnese, the Pope's nephew, his widowed daughter,* whom he had promised to Alexander de Medicis, duke of Florence, now dead. The marriage will shortly be celebrated with great pomp in Rome. Mount Vesuvius has set on fire all the neighbouring country and the city of Puteoli. It is reported that the duke of Urbino has died in Illyria, where he was serving the Venetians against the Turks. Rome, 24 Oct. 1538.

Lat. Copy, p. 1.

25 Oct. **684.** THOMAS A BECKET'S SHRINE.

Vatican MS. Baronius XXXII. 494.

Note that in Consistory, 25 Oct. 1538, the Pope announced the new cruelty and impiety of the king of England, who had commanded the body of St. Thomas of Canterbury to be burnt and the ashes scattered to the wind, and had despoiled the shrine of the numerous vases of gold and precious stones that were there. His Holiness appointed cards. Campeggio, Ghinucci, Contarini and St. Sixtus to discuss and report upon these things.

Lat. From a modern transcript in R. O.

685. THOMAS A BECKET.

R. O.

Constitutions made by Henry II. when in Normandy, which he ordered the justices and all the people of England to swear to, in connection with his quarrel with Becket, mainly to prevent an interdict being brought into the kingdom.

Lat., pp. 6. *Copy in Sadler's hand.*

686. ITALIAN NEWS.

Vit. B. XIV. 285. B. M.

"Lo stato presente d'Italia e assai quieto. Due cose vi s . . . . . perturbarlo. L'una e, che ognihuomo confessa, che la . . . . . Barbarossa in mare al parangone sie mostrata piu . . . . . de Christiani. Per laqual cosa lo Imperadore et prin . . . . . Venetiani, oltra che hanno spesa et danno intolera[bile] . . . . . in mare non saranno molto secure; nonostante che ultimamente . . . . . L'altra cosa, che potrebbe far perturbatione e, che esse[ndo morto il Signor] Francesco Maria duca d'Urbino, e successo il figliuol[o Guido Ubaldo] che si nominava duca di Camerino. Costui gli anni [passati fu] interdetto et scommunicato, perche, come possete sapere, ... di Clemente, prese per moglie una figliuola, che sola e[ra erede del] duca passato di Camerino,† et fecisi Duca, non osta[nte che lui] fosse commandato, che non dovesse entrare in quel d[ucato senza] lautorita della chiesa di Roma. Da poi essendo sta- . . . . . che Francesco Maria patre di costui fosse capitano ge[neral dell' armata per] terra contra Turchi, et promettendosi che Guido Ub[aldo] . . . . . col patre a tale impresa, il Papa sospese l'interdetto p . . . . . nel quale fossero occupati nella guerra contra Turch[i] . . . . . essendo

* Margaret duchess of Florence.

† Julia, daughter of Giovanne Maria Varana, duke of Camerino, who died in 1527.

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morto il patre, lo interdetto e stato di nuovo p[ublicato] contra il figliuolo, narrando nella causa, ne lu . . . . . essere andato contra Turchi, benche si puo dire, che . . . . . stati mandati. Oltra di questo si ragiona maxime . . . . . lo desiderano, che se Guido Ubaldo non obedisce, gli . . . . . guerra. Questa cosa a costoro preme molto forte, et . . . . . che si cerchi per ogni via di operare, che Guido Uba[ldo] . . . . . lasciare Camerino, il quale difficilmente si potrebbe p . . . . . essendo ben guardato, et che si faccia instantia . . . . . da quali Guido Ubaldo puo sperare qualche favo[re] . . . . . et lo astrengano a lasciar Camerino. Il . . . . . ore, et in questo seguita le pedate di suo patre, et dicesi [che si] contentera di far lo Imperadore giudice di questa differentia . . . si giudica da molti, che se lo Imperatore vorra commandarlo, [il d]uca cedera di Camerino.*

"[Il] Signor Ascanio Colonna, huomo di ottanta mila ducati dentrata [per] anno, ad instantia de creditori e stato scommunicato. Dicesi . . . [c]he per questa cosa vuole andare in Hispagna a Cesare. [Qu]esto signore e parente stretto al duca d'Urbino.

". . . . t per dire anchora di questi duchi d'Urbino, il morto hebbe gia . . . . Julio Secondo, suo zio, un titolo che e Prefectus Urbis [R]omæ. A giorni passati crearono Urbis præfectum il [S]or Ottavio Farnese, figliuolo del Signor Pier Aluisi, et nepote del Papa, et in quel medesimo giorno si parlo di Thomaso Cantuariense, et intendo che, ragionandosi di tal cosa, disse haver di questa sentito maggior dolore che dell essersi ritirata l'armata de Christiani dinanzi a quella de Turchi. Per letere dello ambasciadore Cesareo costi questa corte haveva inteso il successo. Ognihuomo ha voluto leggere nel breviario la leggenda di S. Thomaso.

"Venne poco appreso a Roma Madama Margarita figliuola dello Imperadore, gia duchessa di Firenze, et entro assai triomphantemente. Il Signor Ottavio Prefectus Urbis lha sposata. Il matrimonio si consumera a Pasqua. In questo mezzo lo sposo, che e molto giovinetto, si fara valente.

"[Q]ui non si ritrahe che in Francia tra il Re et la Regina d'Hungheria . . . [so]no state trattate facende d'importantia."

Mutilated. Endd.: A copie [of] the State of Italy.

25 Oct. **687.** The Subsidy.

R. O.

Account of payments made at the Receipt of Exchequer by the collectors of one fifteenth and tenth, granted to the King by the laity 26 Hen. VIII., from Mich. 30 Hen. VIII. to 25 Oct. following, viz.:—

In Essex, 442*l.* 13*s.* 1*d.*; Surrey, 94*l.* 10*s.* 1*d.*: Midd., 76*l.*; Hants, 40*l.*; Norf., 133*l.*; Staff., 59*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*; Hunts., 6*l.* 11*s.*; Somers., 80*l.*; Camb., 56*l.* 12*s.*; Berks., 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Derb., 165*l.* 3*s.*; Glouc., 33*l.* 4*d.*; Lanc., 46*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* Total, 1,287*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* The book of the 15th.

25 Oct. **688.** Repingdon or Repton Priory.

R. O.
Rymer xiv. 627.

Surrender of the monastery with all its possessions in cos. Derb., Notts., Leic., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 25 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ralph Clerke, subprior *and eight others, three signing with marks.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 38.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 44] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

* In a modern marginal note made before the fire we read "The Duc of Camerino trusteth to the Emp., which makes him soe much the more obstinate, following in that his father's footesteps."

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25 Oct. **689.** THOMAS LEGH, LL.D., and WILLIAM CAVENDYSH to CROMWELL.

R. O. We received your letters admonishing us in nowise to deface the monastery of Pyppwell, and will observe the same. The prior of Ryptoun died three days ago. We intend to be there on Friday next to dissolve the house as we have done others, or else, because there is no head, to act as occasion shall serve. Darley, 25 October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

25 Oct. **690.** WRIOTHESLEY, VAUGHAN, and CARNE, to HENRY VIII.

Galba B. x. 127. B. M. "Pleaseth your Majesty," next day after the departure of Mr. Browne from Compien, early in the morning, with my lord Elect, we left for the Court at Noyon in the way to Laffayer. Arriving there immediately after the departure of the French king and the Queen* towards Laffayer, there came to us the Queen's secretary, who made her commendations and showed us that, considering that the places where she should lodge until her return to Brussels, were out of the common way, and it would be "molestious" for us, especially Wriothesley, being diseased, to follow her, she thought best that we should take the straight road to Brussels, where she would be with all diligence. Replied, we were much bound to her Grace so to tender us, and would gladly follow her advice. Hearing that the King would conduct the Queen homewards as far as Cambray to a house of the bishop of Cambray's "on Syden Half," not past four leagues from thence, we determined to pass together to Cambray. To make sure, we sent Mr. Palmer, one of your men-at-arms at Calais, and a man of my lord Elect's towards the Court. Afterwards, having certain news of their departure, my lord Elect returned to St. Quintynes and we came to Valenciennes. Mr. Palmer overtook us at our entry into this town, about 1 p.m., and brought news that yesterday, Thursday, the King made the Queen and her nobles at La Fayer a great banquet about 10 a.m. That done the King and his wife accompanied the queen of Hungary an English mile or more towards Merle, and then left the Dolphin and duke of Vendôme to conduct her to the entry of this dominion. She could not be induced to stay longer away from home and will be tomorrow or Sunday at Mouns in Hainault where we intend to be also.

The King, on leaving the Queen, went to Guise and will shortly be at Paris for a good season. He defrayed all the cost of the Queen's train; but we cannot as yet "smell" that anything passed between them. Some say he gave jewels worth 50,000 crs. to her and her ladies, some put it at only 30,000 crs. He gave the Queen a diamond worth 20,000 crs. Thought it worth while to send this post to signify "the departure of these personages." The Queen will be at Brussels before Hallowtide. There is news that the Turk's army at sea have met with the Christian navy and sunk three of their galleys. Valenciennes, 25 Oct. late at night. *Signed.*

In Vaughan's hand, pp. 4. *No address.*

25 Oct. **691.** EDWARD CARNE to [CROMWELL].

Galba B. x. 89. B. M. Your Lordship will perceive by the King's letters how all things proceed here. We are on our road to Brussels, where the queen of Hungary has appointed us to go. Now that the French king and her Grace be asundered, I trust it will not be long before she will arrive thither, that we may proceed in the King's affairs. We have hitherto good outward demonstration and gentle entertainment. I beseech you to remember my old suit, that I may have somewhat in my old age to live upon, through your Lordship's means, in whom is all my trust. Valentia, 25 Oct. 1538.

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* The queen of Hungary.

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25 Oct. **692.** BONNER to CROMWELL.

Calig. E. IV. 8. B. M. * * * "advertisement that these great [personages be dep]arted asunder, the knowledge where[of] . . . . . [se]cret Mr. Wrisleye and his colleagues,* was though . . . . . should be to the good satisfaction, quietness, and . . . . . of the King's Majesties mind desirous to be a . . . . . Wherein it may like your Lordship to understan[d] . . . . . servant returning hither to Saynt Quyntynes this Frida[y] . . . . . the clock at afternoon, I understood that yesterda[y] . . . . . morning the French king took his leave of the [Regent there] being at Laffaire where she had from Tuesday . . . . . till then continued, and dining at Rubemont ij. lea[gues] . . . . . and iiij. leages from Saynt Quyntyne not fully in . . . . . Henault, and clear out of his way to Soyssons, ... night at Guise vij. leages from Laffaire and v le[ages] . . . . the Lady Regent dining that day at Laffaire . . . . . night to bed to Marle iiij. leages from thence, st . . . . . way to Henault. And this Friday the 25th of [October] the French king early in the morning departed . . . . . and went iiij. leages off to dinner to a place called [Tripon, where] as my said servant reported to me, the Lady Regent me[t with the] King again, Tripon being but v leages off from . . . . . there after dinner the Regent taking clearly her leave . . . . . night to Vanne to bed, the same being straight in he[r way to] Henault, and this night the French king returneth [(as my] said servant telleth me) to Vervenne, which is his highway . . . . . from whence he intendeth towards Paris, and thereabouts . . . . . (as is said) this winter. The report is that the French [king] hath defrayed all the charges of the Lady Regent and her train [from] her coming from Cambray till her departing from Tripon, and hath [also] given divers gifts to her ladies and other of her company, and y[et hath] nothing sped of his desires and purposes; which, though he bear[eth it] out as not grieved thereby, and as having had but only matters of hunty[ng] and pastime, yet it is talked that if he had not reckoned upon better success than he hath had, he would not have set forth this assembly so ha . . . ."

Begs commendations to the King. St. Quentin's, 25 October, about 10 p.m. *Signed:* Edmond Boner.

Hol., p. 1. *Top and right edge much injured. Add.:* Privy Seal.

25 Oct. **693.** EDMUND HARVEL to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 79. Wrote on the 3rd. Has heard since from Corfu that on the 26th ult. Andrea Doria went with deliberation to fight Barbarossa, who, against expectation, issued out of Prevesa with all his galleys to meet him; but the fleets were kept stationary by a calm, except that two ships of Venice and two of the Emperor's, a Biscayan and a Portuguese, went forward and fought with 40 Turkish galleys five hours long, of which the Venetians sunk six, losing only 15 men on their part. The Biscayan ship fought extremely with great loss of men, but returned safe, her mast broken and the ship much torn in pieces. The Portingal was sunk. Andrea Doria changed his purpose and would not strike battle that day because his ships could be of no use, and to fight galleys with galleys he thought hazardous, especially considering Barbarossa's boldness. After the battle towards night the wind increased and caused both fleets to withdraw, Barbarossa to Prevesa and Doria to Corfu. By letters of the 8th from thence they had reduced all their ships to 35 and diminished the galleys by 10, of which two were taken by the Turks, one a Venetian the other Papal. It had been resolved to go to Dirachium (Durazzo), occupy and fortify the port, but this Doria deferred owing to the incursions of the Turkish galleys in Corfu. Barbarossa shows himself a great captain, both in counsel and in courage. The Turkish army

* Vaughan and Carne.

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is in Moldavia, and has besieged three towns of strength. The Caraboldan or Duke of Moldavia has about 30,000 horse. His friend and neighbour king John of Hungary has 40,000 horse in readiness and succours him. Lately king John slew about 5,000 Turks who invaded his country, and none escaped alive, as they were enclosed in certain rivers. The Emperor's daughter the duchess of Florence is gone to Rome to marry with the Pope's nephew, Piero Luigi's son, "not a little to the admiration of men," the said Piero Luigi being bastard and vicious above any I know in Italy. News came yesterday of the duke of Urbino's death in Pesaro, the chief glory of Italy in military virtue. His son is 25 years old, and follows his father's steps. His State is strong, his father having made many fortresses. Many think the Pope will invade Urbino now. Venice, 25 Oct. 1538.

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[25 Oct.] **694.** ALBANUS HYLUS to CROMWELL.

R. O. An Englishman named Anthony* arrived lately at Bologna, an old man of small stature, with a blushing countenance (*rubet vultu continuo*), and "confidens satis." He bears marks of wounds on his countenance, is totally destitute of learning, knows neither Italian nor Latin. Having talked with him on matters of Italy and England, I asked what he was doing here, as the English seem to have nothing to do with the Romans. I will tell you frankly, he said. Cromwell was my lord, and reposed great confidence in me, but hearing that I was accused of treason I crossed into Flanders, and thinking myself not safe there went on to Italy, and I wish you would come with me as you know the language. No, said I, I have been 12 years at the University of Bologna studying philosophy, theology, Hebrew, and Greek, and I hope some day to return to my country. Three days after he went to Venice, for, as my servant told me, he has brought much gold into Italy. Hearing this I began to suspect mischief, especially as at Bologna he spent four golden angels in three days. Suspected he had stolen it from somebody, perhaps from Cromwell. He went to Venice on the 23rd Oct. to salute cardinal Pole, and go on to Rome, where he intended to remain. Bologna, 8 calendas Octobris† 1538.

P. 1. *Latin, with a little English at the end.*

26 Oct. **695.** SIR GEOFFREY POLE.

R. O. "Interrogatories for the examination of Sir Geoffrey Pole," 59 in number, and to the following effect:—1 and 3. Respecting the proceedings of his brother the Cardinal (which he had said that he "well liked") ; how had he obtained information about them, and what had he said of them in conversation with his kinsmen or familiars? 2. What were the acts of his brother that pleased him, (and here he is to be examined of all his brother's acts that he knows of)? 3. What he has said about them with kinsmen or friends in conversation. 4. Did he mean to approve of his brother's going to the bishop of Rome, or accepting the cardinal's hat, or setting forth the primacy of Rome? 5. Had he received letters of intelligence from him, or any in his name, within the last three years? 6. Did he know or had he heard whether his mother, brother (lord Montague) or any of his family, had received such? 7—9. How often and by what bearers had these communications been received? What were their contents? 10. To whom had he or others disclosed their substance? 11, 12. What answers had been made to them by him or others, and by whom carried? 13—15. How long had he been familiar with the vicar of Estmayn‡? How had he become so? and what

* Apparently Anthony Budgegood. *See* Nos. 416, 433.

† Apparently an error for *Novembris*, as the 8th calends of October would be 24 Sept., and the 23d Oct. is mentioned as a past date.

‡ John Heliar, vicar of East Meon.

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communications had he held with him touching the Statutes of the Realm? 16. What opinion had the vicar declared with regard to the bishop of Rome? 17, 18. Had he known of the vicar's intention to go over sea? 19, 20. Who had been present at any conference between him and the vicar? Who counselled his departure? 21–24. What letters has he received from the vicar since his departure,, what reply did he make, and what messengers were employed? 25. To what other persons has the vicar sent letters, &c. 26, 27. Was it agreed between him and the vicar that he should visit the latter at Louvain? What was his object in so doing? 28. Had he intended to have any men with him, and how many? 29—40. Generally concerning his intention; whether he meant to go further than Louvain, or to visit his brother the Cardinal. 41, 42. By what means he intended to have lived abroad? 43–45. Where to embark? And with whom had he spoken about victualling the ship? 46—49. With whom, other than he has already named, he conferred when both he and they, as he says, expressed a wish "for a change of this world"? 50, 51. To whom did he mention these conferences? And their reply? 52—58. By what means and from what motives had he laboured to effect this change? Who were the first devisers, and who had been willing to advance it? 59. What letters had he received favourable to this object?

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R. O. 2. Examination of Sir Geoffrey Pole.*

He confesses that he liked well the doings of his brother the Cardinal and misliked the proceedings in this realm. That he and many others with whom he has conferred have wished a change of this world without meaning any hurt to the King. Being asked with whom he had so conferred he replied the [lord De la Warr],† Mr. Croftes,‡ resident in Chichester, Freende§ and Langley,‖ prebendaries of the same church. Also that the lord De la Warr about 12 months [ago] was of that opinion, but of late when the King was in Sussex he declared himself to be indifferent, in such conferences as this examinate had with him. Also the lord Montacute his brother was of the same opinion before the death of his wife, but since that time he has found him more indifferent. Also the marquis of Exeter was at first of the same mind, but he has not spoken with him for nearly two years; but by his communications with lord Montacute during these two years he knows that the Marquis and his said brother were of one opinion. Further, he heard Sir Edward Nevill say he trusted this world would amend one day. Also the bp. of London said in conversation with this examinate "that he was but a syfer, for [the] lord Privy Seal first, and [then the] bishop of [Roch]ester, have appointed heretics to preach at Paul's Cr[oss]. And further he sayeth that within a twelvemonths he hath heard Mrs. Roper and Mrs. Clement s[ay th]at they liked not this plucking down of abbeys, im[ages an]d pilgrimages, and prayed God to send a change. [An]d after being examined what he meant by [the] word indifferent, which, in his examination before, touched the lord De la Warr and the lord Montacute, answereth he meant that they were not so much affectionate to that part as they were at the former conferences." Being asked what change was wished for; he replies that they wished this world of plucking down abbeys and pilgrimages, and this manner of preaching to be changed, but not the King's

* Words lost by mutilation here are supplied from the copy in No. 804.

† Struck out.

‡ George Crofte, prebendary of Middleton. *See* Valor I. Ecc. I. 301.

§ Wm. Frende, prebendary of Excett. *See* Vol. V. No. 771; and Valor, I. 302.

‖ Doubtless Wm. Langley, who was sub-deacon and vicar of St. Peter's the Great, Chichester, in 1531. *See* Valor I. 304.

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person. Finally, examinate besought the King "that he may have good keeping and cherishing and thereby somewhat comfort himself and have better stay of himself," and he would then fully open all that he knew, whomsoever it might touch, whether mother, brother, uncle, or any other. Being further examined whether he had intended to have gone over sea to his brother, he says he did not intend to go to his brother, but to Louvain to speak with the vicar of Est Mayn.

"This examination was knowledged written and after openly read and knowledged again the 26th day of October anno 30 Regis Henrici Octavi in the presence of us." *Signed:* W. Southampton—per me Edmundum Walsyngham—Rich. Crumwell—per me Nicholaum Heyth—William Peter.

Pp. 2. *Stained and mutilated.*

R. O. 3. A set of 62 [further] interrogatories [to be administered to Sir Geoffrey Pole].*

"1. [Where] you say that Mr. Croftes, resident in Chiche[ster, Freend]† and Langley, prebendaries of the same chur[ch, in their] conferences with you have misliked the proceedin[gs of this realm] and wished for a change, whe[ther you have] had the said conferences with them all toge[ther or] severally with every of them?

"2. [In] what places you have conferred with them all, a[nd in w]hatt places severally with any of them?

"3. [With] which of them you have conferred in these [most o]ften?

"4. [Of] what matters or proceedings you have communed with [them or] with any of them at your said conferences?

"5. [Whet]her you have communed [with] them or with any of them [of] your brother the Cardinal [goin]g to the bishop of Rome and being with him?

"6. What hath been their sayings and opinions of it, and whether they have commended or dispraised his doing therein?"

7. What they or any of them have said touching the bp. of Rome's authority? 8. or of the King's title of Supreme Head, and whether they considered it stood with the law of God? 9. Whether they named any other persons of their mind in anything? 10. Whether any of them declared, "or you have otherwise by them perceived, that they used to confer in these things by y[ou above named or] other like, with any other men, an[d with whom]?"

"11. Whether they or any of the[m have declared unto y]ow the opinions of any other lerny[d men or other touching any] of the premisses?

"12. Item, what their names be?

"13. Item, whether in your said confer[ences they] have brought forth, shewyd or alleged any [books to y]ow or yow to them for the mayntenance of yo[ur opinion in] the premisses?

"14. Item, whether they have shewyd [you, or you] declaryd,‡ or yow declaryd unto them, any [letters, messages], or other adve[rtisements] from beyond [the sea]?

"15. Item, w[hat the] contents hath [been]?

"16. Item, wh[ethe]r in wishing for th[is] change they have wished all things to bide in the same sort or order that they were before the statute made for the abolishment of the bishop of Rome his pretended authority?"

17. Who were present with you and them or any of them at such conferences? 18. Whether you have devised together any means to

* It seems doubtful whether this further set of interrogatories was ever actually administered, as the second examination of Sir Geoffrey, taken on the 2d November, was on matters totally different. *See* No. 804.

† Supplied from § 4.

‡ Apparently the scribe repeated these words here which occur only once in the draft § 4.

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promote this change? 19. Or for the staying and hindrance of such orders as have been commanded within the realm? 20. And by what means?

[21.] "[On what] matters you conferred with the lord Delawar* [about xij] months past or at any other time, when [he declar]yd hym self to mislike the proceedings [within the realm] and wished for a change?

"22. [On] what things you conferred with the lord M[ontague, your bro]ther, before the death of his wife, when he decl[ared that he w]ished after like sort?

"23. [On] what matters you conferred with the lord Mar[quis and oth]er when he declaryd and wysshyd in like m[anner?]

"24. [Who] was present with you at any conference with any [of the sai]d lords?

25. "[By] what occasion began you to confer again of the sa[me] matters with the lorde Delaware at the King's late being in Sussex?"

26. That yon advisedly remember and declare the whole progress of your communication at that time. 27. By what words you perceived that he was then more indifferent than in former conferences; 28. and in what matters he was more indifferent? 29. Whether he seemed to have the same wish, though he was not so earnest? 30. On what occasion you began to confer of these things with your brother lord Montague since the death of his wife? 31. By what words you perceived that he had become more indifferent, and in what matters?

"32. Item, by what words you perce[ived in your brother lord Montacute that] the lord Marques of Ex[eter and he were of one] opinion?

"33. Item, in what things, matters . . . . . one opinion?

"34. Item, whether you know or have [heard that] they have at any time met or sent the o[ne to the oth]er for any conference herein?

"35. Whether you know or hav[e heard any m]an named whose counsel they or either of [them useth or] hath used, or to whose judgment they . . . . . [in those] things?

"[36.] Item, whe[ther] you know or have [heard that] the said lord Montague your brother h[ath used to ma]ke the lord Mar[quis] participant of an[y news, letters, or other] messages sent [to him from] beyond the sea?"

37. Whether either of the said Lords conferred with any other on these matters, and with whom? 38. Whether they or any other have declared what they intended to do if they "should see the world frame towards any such change"? 39. Whether any agreement has been between them or others to take one part in those things? 40. Upon what occasion Sir Edward Nevell said he trusted this world would amend one day?

"[41. Item, with wha]t thing or things the said Sir Edward [did find himse]lf grieved at that time?

"[42. Item, of what matt]ers you communed with him when h[e spoke the sa]yd words?

"43. [Item, how oft]en you have used to confer with the said [Sir Edwar]de concerning those things?

"44. [Item, who] hath been present at any such conference?

"45. [Item, whethe]r he have declared the opinion of any [other men touching] the same matters at any conference, and [of whom]?

"46. [Item, what] the opinions of them [have] been?

"47. [Item, how] often within these xij months or ij years you have been [in com]pany with Mrs. R[oper] or Mrs. Clement, and at what places you have met with them?"

* The draft § 4 here adds "or lord Montacute."

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48. Of what matters you have most often communed when they have wished for this change? 49. What communication you have had with either of them touching the death of Sir Thos. More and others, and the causes of the same? 50. Who has been present at any of your conferences? 51. Have you heard of any letters, writings, or books sent to them or their friends touching that matter? 52. What have been the contents of such letters, &c.

"53. Item, what conference hath been [between the bish]op of London and you touching [these things]?

"54. Item, what heresies he hath [named] which have been preached at Paule[s Cross]?

"55. Item, whether in any such confe[rence he hath] showed unto you his opinion or judgment . . . . . continuance and end of these doings and [proceedings] within the realm?

"56. Item, what his judgment . . . . . [ha]th been therein?

"57. Item, what likelihoods, causes, ... tions he hath opened at any such conferenc[e that this] world should not continue?"

58. Whether he hath declared himself desirous of a change? 59. Whether you know or have heard that he has had any conference with any, within the realm or without, touching these doings, and with whom? 60. What communication has been between you concerning your brother the Cardinal, and whether he has commended his doings? 61. Whether you know or have heard that these orders and proceedings within the realm pass in the King's name and by his authority?

"62. [Item], ... or state of the commonwealth may . . . . . es broken without offence of the . . . . . ."

Pp. 7. *Mutilated.*

R. O. 4. Original draft of the two sets of interrogatories § 1 and § 3.

Pp. 4. *Faded.*

696. [Sir Geoffrey Pole] to ———.

R. O. A very mutilated letter, probably seized at the time of Sir Geoffrey Pole's arrest.

"I have wretten to you ofter then I per[adventure . . . . . to] have don and not so ofte n dede a[s] . . . . . I have used was for the nonce . . . . . not off no slugyshnes . . . . . here that you receved eny on . . . . . wherin I . . . . a letter r . . . . . sylence [a]nd . . . . . you . . . . . because you lake the comodety . . . . . so ofte as you wold then that you . . . . . or that I shold lyghtly p . . . . . our frendshyp is knytt fast nere to . . . . . shold set our minds far fro othe[r] . . . . . habes et semper habebis. I am g . . . . . ther to your cheff desyre that is . . . . . helthe to encrece long ther in . . . . . hertes desyre and God's pleasure . . . . . vale ex animo. Lordyngtoni p . . . . . ."

In Sir Geoffrey Pole's hand.

26 Oct. **697.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Wrote by N. Eeyer. This hour I received your sundry letters by John Teberow. I send a letter which Mr. Pollerd delivered me this morning, thanking you for his hawk. My lord Privy Seal has kept his chamber three days. He has two bills, one of 400 mks., the other of 400*l.* I trust the best shall take place. His counsel reckon to go through with Paynswick this term. London, 26 Oct.

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26 Oct. **698.** THELESFORD PRIORY.

R. O. Surrender (by Edm. Davithe, minister or prior, and the convent) to
Rymer XIV., John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the
613. King's use. Edw. Power and Thos. Williams, laymen, to be attorneys to receive and deliver the premises. 26 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Edm. Dave, minister, *and three others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 44.]

Fragment of seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 4, *no.* 12) without mem. of acknowledgment.

27 Oct. **699.** JOHN WELLYSBURN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends up Sir John Davy, curate of Radley, who has spoken many traitorous words against the King, and also his accuser, Wm. Draper. He has kept it somewhat too long, but will stand by his sayings. Will tell Cromwell at their next meeting about the courts and law days held for the King in the lordships belonging to the manor of Abingdon. Sends the sayings of Draper and one Sanforde. Many of the poor say they heard the priest speak all that is written, but dared not utter it till now for fear of him, as he would have killed Sandford with his own dagger if the neighbours had not rescued him. Culneham beside Abingdon, 27 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

27 Oct. **700.** GRACE DIEU PRIORY.

R. O. Surrender (by Agnes, the prioress, &c.) of the monastery, with all
Rymer XIV. its possessions in cos. Leic., Derb., Notts, Linc., Ntht., and elsewhere in
628. England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 27 Oct., 30 Hen. VIII. *No signatures.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App II. 18.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p,* 1, *no.* 45] as acknowledged before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

R. O. 2. Pension assigned by the commissioners appointed to dissolve the monastery of Grace Dieu, Leic., 21 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., viz.:—

Cicily Bagnalde, 40*s.* *Signed:* John Beamount: Thomas Legh.

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R. O. 3. Fly leaf endorsed "A pension of Gracedewe."

27 Oct. **701.** SEIGNEUR DE GRIGNAN to MONTMORENCY.

Ribier I. 234. Since he left Turin has not been able to get a courier for Lyons till now. Is pressing on to Rome with the utmost diligence. Spoke with the card. de Monte at Plaisance, who says the Italians will never believe in the peace unless Francis possess Milan. Others have used different language, saying that the Emperor's ministers at Milan maintain that the Duchy is to remain in his possession, and that he is to conquer England for the French king. Replied that these were all follies, and that he was sure both princes held the king of England for their good brother and ally, and would not make war against him, but rather aid him to keep his State. Ruined condition of the Milanese. Duke of Ferrara. Florence, 27 Oct. 1538.

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[28 Oct.] **702.** CONCERNING LORD MONTAGUE.

R. O. Jerom Raglande, examined, [says] lord Montacue, his master, showed him a copy of letters from Reynold [Pole] to the bp. of Durham of "four or five [sheets] of paper,"* in answer to a letter from the Bishop. Forgets the

* *See* Vol. XI. No. 210.

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contents of this letter; Montacue afterwards burned it at Bokmer. Wished to save the same from burning in order to learn the contents. Heard the letter read in presence of Montacue, Mr. Colyns, and himself. Has often heard Montacue murmur at the state of the world and the King's proceedings. [*Marginal note:* "The first article."] Montacue feared further mischief, and that such as ruled about the King would mar all. Told Colyns of a book which cardinal Pole had [written] against the King commencing *Quid dicam aut quid faciam,** but never saw the book: Babham told him at Bokmer the book began so. Has often heard Montacue lament the death of lord Burgavenny. [*Marginal note:* Affirmeth the saying of Sir Geoffrey Pole.] At the time of the Insurrection, Montacue said "Now if my lord a Burgavenny were alive, he were able to make a great number of men in Kent and Sussex"; and often said Burgavenny was "a noble man and assured friend." Tyrell has gone between Montacue and the lord Marquis often: knows not if he carried letters. Has seen a big fellow in a tawny coat come to Montacue from the Marquis, but knows not on what errand. Has heard Montacue lament the pulling down of abbeys—especially Bisham—and say he trusted to see Bisham abbey in as good state as ever. Has heard him lament the Marquis' sickness and gout, and say the Marquis was the "most passionate and impatient man in his sickness that ever he knew." Has heard say (but of whom he cannot tell), it were a meet marriage for Reynold Pole to have the Lady Mary, the King's daughter. Last summer being [sent] by Montacute to Eliz. Darell [ab]out assurance of certain lands, she said Mr. Wyatt was [come] out of Spain, where he had been highly entertained, and that Mr. Wyatt said they had a poison in Spain, which put on an arrow head, and the same pricking any person, he should die, and the remedy was the juice of a quince or peach. She also said Mr. Wyatt saw cardinal Pole, "but he spake not with him, nor one of them would not look on another." Mr. Wyatt had told the King about the poison and asked if he should bring any hither, but the King answered "Nay." *Signed:* Jerom Ragland.

Further examined, says that after the Insurrection, when it was said the King had promised the Northern men to hold a parliament at York for satisfaction of their articles, and it was known the King would not [go to] the North for that purpose, Montacute said "In tym[es] past King's words [would] be believed, but nowadays they be used for . . . . . e, wherefore if the Commons do rise again th[ey wi]ll trust no fair promise nor words." Lord Mowntagew had all Mr. More's books . . . . . volume (?), and did much take pleasu[re in rea]ding of them. Hugh Hol-[ande] at Warblington desired to speak with lord Montague, and said "he must needs" speak with him. Deponent said, "Tell [it to] me and I will tell my lord." Holland said it was that Sir Geoffrey Pole must needs go over sea, unless Montague found a remedy. [*Marginal note:* Confirms Holland's saying.] Reported this to Montague and he thereupon spoke with Holland at Bokmer, but deponent knows not what was said.

Pp. 5. *Stained and mutilated. In Cromwell's hand. With marginal notes by Ric. Pollard upon the character of the evidence.*

2. *Headed:* "the xxviij [day of October?]"

R. O. Jerome Regland further examined, says, lord Mon[tacute sai]d the acts which the King caused to be made in Parliament were very cruelly made, such as the Act of Treason, &c., and if he were of the Council he would, notwithstanding those Acts, advise a charitable punishment so that men should not die therefor. Shortly after the Insurrection, lord M. showed him at Bokmer that if that matter (the Northern party) had been

* Quoted inaccurately from memory. *See* Vol. X. No. 975.

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"man handelyd" it would have been well enough. Lord M. showed him at Bokmer 12 months past, "that he hath seen more gentleness and benignity in times past at the King's hands than he doth nowadays," and said two years ago that knaves ruled about the King, and if he lived to see a change of the world, they should "have punishment for their offences without cruelty." Has heard lord M. say at Bokmer two years ago, and both before and since, that "If this world come to a change we shall have somewhat to do." Heard lord M. say at Bisham about two years past, that the King had said to all the lords, that if they would not do what he moved them to do "he would forsake them and go with the Lubekks; and the lord M. said then also that then we should be well rid of him." (*In margin:* Knows not what it was that the King moved the lords). Lord M. showed him as Bokmer two years past that he could trust few men nowadays. Lord M. showed him that "the lord Marquis is a noble man." Thinks he had great trust in the lord Marquis of Exeter. (*In margin:* Against the lord Marquis.) Heard lord M. say once or twice at Bokmer two or three years ago, "We shall lack nothing so much one day as honest men." Heard lord M. say "the King is full of flesh and unwieldly, and that he cannot long continue with his sore leg." Lord M. showed him that peradventure the King would send him [over se]es for his affairs, and then he would do the best service he could, but if he failed he would tarry over seas till England was in a better state. Heard Lord M. at "Okyngham [Bramsell]* heth" this summer, wish himself and his son were over seas with six persons more whom he did not name. Has heard lord M. say his brother Sir Geoffrey Pole shall not serve the King. Has heard lord M. within this 12 months praise his brother the Cardinal in his learning and in his living, and say he thought him ordained by God to do good. Lord M. told him a year past, "the King hath a sort of k[nav]es in his privy chamber about him." Read a letter from cardinal Pole to lord M. about three years past, containing "that he would send shortly a great horse to the lord M.; and also he advertised the lord Montegu that he should [bring] up his son himself in activity; and also that the revolutions in Italy declareth great war to be in those parts shortly." Heard lord M. say two years past "the King never made man but he destroyed him again either with displeasure or with the sword." Lord M. told him three years past he liked not many of the bishops. Was trusted by lord M. About three years past when lord M. began to recover from his sickness, he sent examinate to Horsley to show the lord Marquis of his recovery: the lord Marquis said he was glad thereof. (*In margin:* Against the lord Marquis.) Heard Perkyns, servant to lord M., say, "that it were . . . . . marriage betwixt my lady Mary and the cardinal Pole."

Pp. 5. The first paragraph in Cromwell's hand. All the rest, except the last article, in Ric. Pollard's. Each page has been signed at the bottom "Thomas Crumwell," *but this is crossed out and the signature* "Jerom Ragland" *substituted. Endd.*

R. O. 3. Hiero[me Raglan]de, [further] examined. Has known lord Montacute, his master, often resort to the marquis of Exeter to his houses at Horseley and London, but knows not for what causes. Tyrell has gone to the Marquis from lord Montacute, and when asked by this examinate sometimes said he went thither and sometimes answered nothing. "Sterkey once showed this examinate that cardinal Poole was m[ad] to come into [England]* France, for he will have a . . . . in his way Sir Francis Bryan, Peter Meotes or Wing[field]† . , . . . yn over to rid him." Showed this, on coming home,

* Crossed out.
† John Wingfield, Sir Robert's nephew. *See* Vol. XII., Part II., No. 107.

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to lord Montacute, who said he knew that well enough. Has often seen lord Montacute and Colyns alone together in the garden at Bukmar and in the woods adjoining, and in the place called the Long Rowe. Has known Montacute and Sir Geoffrey Pole walk together in the garden at Bockmar, and in the great chamber, and has known Montacute, Sir Geoffrey and Colyns all to walk together in the garden. Colyns was sent about Corpus Christi last to Sir Geoffrey's house to burn certain letters in the study there. Thinks Montacute was privy to his going. Colins, on his return, said he had burned the letters. Hugh Holland to[ld examinate] that he feared Sir Geoffrey would go beyond seas, and that he had spoken with Bernardine, cardinal Pole's servant, and brought a pair of knives for a token to John Walker.

Pp. 2. *Slightly mutilated. Date at the head gone.*

28 Oct. **703.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

By John Teborow I received your sundry letters. Delivered that to my lord Admiral, who thanks you and promises to be good to James Hawkesworthe and Rauff Riggesby. Delivered Mr. Brian's letter, who will answer by Mr. Speccott whom he despatches tomorrow. This day was Mr. Brian's first coming to Court, and tomorrow Mr. Russell will be there. I sent your letter to James Hawkesworth. My lord Admiral has written both for him and Riggesby, and they shall be here in eight days. Mr. Pollerd advises that my Lady come over as shortly as possible; for the earl of Bridgewater will be here in six days, as Thos. Seller says. As to Painswick, since my lord Privy Seal is so bent to have it, provision might be made for you and my Lady, or Bewmond's lands might be conveyed to Mr. Bassett immediately, or so handled that the Earl may put away no part thereof. To recompense my Lady, Mr. Bassett to be bound to allow her like portion as she had from you for jointure, and if the Earl survive you then Mr. Bassett to be bound to recompense my Lady for as many years as he shall survive. Like direction to be taken for the 1,000*l.* whereof the land stands charged in your will. My lord Privy Seal has two bills of 400 mks. and 400*l.*, and promises to despatch one or other shortly, and also your suit for the Friars. He thinks you are at a point with him for Painswick. As for John Fellowe for the forfeiture of his house and land, send me the words of the ordinance so that I may reason with my Lord in it; and also let me know whether the forfeiture is to the King or the presenter.

News here is none but that the Lords sit daily in council. My lord Privy Seal came not at Court since Wednesday. Sir Jeffrey Pooll was examined in the Tower by my lord Admiral. They say he was so in despair that he would have murdered himself, and has hurt himself sore. Please keep this secret as yet. London, 28 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

28 Oct. **704.** AUSTIN FRIARS, NORTHAMPTON.

R. O.
Rymer xiv. 612.

Surrender to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. John Wacklynge and Thos. Williams, laymen to be attorneys to receive and deliver the same. 28 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Goodwyn, prior, Steph. Barwycke, sub-prior, *and 7 others, the last being* Robt. Barrett "annochorita." [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 33.]

Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 10] without mem. of acknowledgment.

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28 Oct. **705.** Grey Friars, Northampton.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 614.

Surrender (by John Wyndlowe, warden, and the convent) to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. Appointing Ambrose Clerke and Roger Wall as attorneys to receive and deliver the premises to the said John London. 28 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Wyndlowe, warden, *and* 10 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 34.]

Seal torn off.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *no.* 14] without mem. of acknowledgment.

28 Oct. **706.** Thomas Legh, Ll.D., to Cromwell.

R. O.

At our coming to Repton, we found the house greatly spoiled and many things purloined away, part of which we have recovered, as the bearer can show. After a certain surrender taken, we put your servant Mr. Thakker in possession, but, because the prior was dead before we came, an escheator must sit thereupon, or else it must be confirmed by Act of Parliament. From thence repairing to Grace Dieu, we made an end there also and put Mr. Beamond, the bearer, in possession. Grace Dieu, 28 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Oct. **707.** Dr. John London and Dr. Edw. Baskervyle to Sir Ric. Riche.

R. O.

Has taken the surrender of the minister and crossed friars of Thelisforde, Warw., and, as the house is worth 18*l.* a year, and there were none in it for whom to charge the house with pensions but the minister and one other who already had 53*s.* 4*d.* pension by convent seal, Doctor Baskerfilde and the writer have assigned the bearer, Sir Edm. Davie, late minister there, 5*l.* a year pension. Begs him to ratify this. Thelisforde, 28 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Chancellor of Augmentations. *Endd.*

28 Oct. **708.** Ric. Abbot of Glastonbury to Cromwell.

R. O.

I have received your letter dated London, 28 Oct., in favour of your servant, Maurice Berkeley, for the rents of the farm of Northwode park. He has already, at your Lordship's request, a lease of the park with all rents and profits, and I hope he will ask for no other of my rents without the park. Glastonbury, 28 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

28 Oct. **709.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. Remains, p. 406. Ellis, iii. 249.

Has done according to Cromwell's letters about Master Wattwod. When he next speaks with Cromwell, will purge himself of his false accusation. He has himself confessed his untruth.

A man has written to him that Frere Bartlow* does much hurt in "Corwall and in Daynshyre," both with open preaching and private communication. Suspects he has some comfort from Rome, through Dr. Nycolasse. The abbot of Evesham, the bearer, asks Latimer to thank Cromwell for him. Thinks he will find few who will better remember his kindnesses. He seems a very civil and honest man and one who puts all his trust in Cromwell. Requests Cromwell to maintain him in his right to what he has obtained by his goodness.

Have been boulting and sifting the blood of Haylles all this forenoon. It was wonderously closely and craftily enclosed and stopped up, and cleaves fast to the bottom of the little glass. It seems to be an unctuous gum and

* Alexander Barclay. *See* No. 596.

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compound of many things. It has a certain unctuous moistness, and though it seem somewhat like blood while it is in the glass, yet when any parcel of the same is taken out it turneth to a yellowness and is cleaving like glue. Have not yet examined all the monks. "My brother abbot" will tell Cromwell what he has seen and heard. "But we perceive not by your commission whether we shall send it up or leave it here." 28 Oct. at Haylles.

Hol., pp. 3. *Slightly mutilated. Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* "Concerning Fryer Berclaye," &c.

710. The Bp. of Worcester and Others to Cromwell.

Hearne's Ben. of Peterb. 751.

By the King's commission directed to them 4 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., repaired 28 Oct. to the monastery of Haylez, and viewed a certain supposed relic called the Blood of Haylez, "which was enclosed within a round berall garnished and bound on every side with silver." Had it opened in presence of a great multitude, and taken out of the berall. After close examination believe it to be an unctuous gum coloured. In the glass it looked a glistering red, somewhat like blood; but a little taken out of the glass looked yellow like amber or "basse gold." It cleaves like gum or birdlime. Have enclosed it in red wax, sealed with their seals and locked it in a coffer remaining by indenture with the abbot, giving the key to Ric. Tracy, till the King's pleasure be known. *Signed:* H. Wigorn, Henry Pryore of Worceter; Stephyn, abbot of Heyles: Rycharde Tracy. *With the four seals attached.**

Endd. in same hand: The sertyfycat of Hughe Bysshopp of Worcetur, and others to the right honorable lord Cromwell under their seale.

28 Oct. **711.** Thos. Skreven to Cromwell.

R. O.

Is forced to trouble him as Mr. Wynfeld has complained of him to the King's Council here, stating that he has defamed him, and citing Cromwell's letters in proof. Has made answer to the Council in writing that he would make no answer here unless they commanded him, for the matter depends before Cromwell. Although the whole Council urged him to charity, Mr. Wyngfeld threatens further to trouble him, for certifying Cromwell of the truth as to the election of Wm. Johnson, late mayor, contrary to the King's ordinances. Calais, 28 Oct. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

28 Oct. **712.** Queen Mary of Hungary to Charles V.

Lanz, II. 686.

"La royne par ses lectres du xxviii d'Octobre se remet à don Diego, et qu'il lui semble que les Engles n'ont intention de venir à conclusion des mariaiges."

28 Oct. **713.** Card. Pole to Theodoricus and Tongrensis.

Poli Epp. II. 108.

Received their letters of the 12 July only on the viii kal. Nov. on his return to Rome after an absence of seven months. Was glad to hear of their good health, of which their long silence might have made him doubtful. Where they commend the causes of Albertus Pighius, will do all he can for him, both on account of his name and the book he wrote, *de Hierarchia Ecclesiastica*, and also for their letters. To neglect the patronage of such men now that the Church has so many adversaries, would to others be a reproach, but to Pole a sin. Received at the same time four letters from Pighius desiring commendations from the Pope to the queen of Hungary. Will do his best to assist Theodoricus' friend, the physician Magnificus Josephus. Rome, St. Simon and St. Jude's Day, 1538.

Latin.

* The seals are engraved by Hearne.

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28 Oct. **714.** Card. Pole to Albertus Pighius.

Poli Epp. II. 115. Found his four letters on returning to Rome, vii. kal. Nov., after seven months' absence. To answer the last, of 5 Oct., seems enough. The Pope at once ordered commendatory letters to be sent to the queen of Hungary. Spoke to the Pope about the book dedicated by Pighius to his Holiness.* Did not present it, as he had not had time to arrange the letters (*concinnari chartas*), but explained its scope and merits. As to the book in which Pighius defends the Church from the impious attacks made upon it from England, the card. of St. Cross had not presented it to his Holiness, but had awaited Pole's return. Hopes therefore to present both books at the same time. The dean of Antwerp, proctor here for the Queen, is his friend, and Tongrius and Theodoricus have written to Pole in his favour. Rome, 28 Oct. 1538.

Latin.

715. Richard Layton, Priest, to Cromwell.

R. O. I am yet occupied with Stapulton's book; tonight it shall be finished, tomorrow fair written, and then I shall bring it to you. Please favour this bringer, Chr. Joye, my kinsman, "by your Lordship put to the King's service," to be one of the new "spears" which I hear the King admits daily. He will give you 40*l.* for your pains, and a meeter man, or a hardier, or that can better handle a staff, ye shall not lightly find. Please aid me to the chancellorship of Sarum,† and I shall give you 100*l.* I hear, Dr. Carne, lately married to a widow in his country, makes suit to have it in a "commendam," *hoc non obstante quod sit bigamus:* I would not you should open that gap before that a law were therefor made. This office is entirely spiritual, and it should not be for your honour to obtain the same. Pardon my plainness; if it were a prebend or a hospital with temporalities, it might better be suffered.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

716. [The Abbess of Malling to Cromwell.]

R. O. "These be the requests of me, Margaret Vernon, abbess of Malling, to the right honourable lord, my lord of the Privy Seal."

First, to obtain licence to sell the manor of Cornarde, Suff., of the yearly rent of 40*l.*, in order with the money to provide for her sisters instead of their pensions, pay off her servants, and buy for herself a living with such of her friends as will take her.

If not, she begs that each of her sisters may have 4*l.* a year pension, and herself, 50*l.* a year out of certain lands "with a clause of distress, without any replevy of the same for non-payment of our said pensions at the day and feasts."

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.:* "The abbess of Mallyng."

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* His great work, "Hierarchiæ Ecclesiasticæ Assertio" was published this year at Cologne. The dedicatory epistle, addressed to Paul III., is dated Cologne, about the Feast of St. Gregory the Pope (*feriis beati Gregorii Papæ*).

† Thomas Parker, chancellor of Sarum, died in August 1538 (*See* No. 155). On the 1 Sept. Roger Townesend was collated to the chancellorship in his place, and on his death immediately afterwards John Edmunds was made chancellor 29 Oct. 1538. This letter may have been written after either Parker's death or Townsend's. In the latter case it must have been before the middle of October when Carne went abroad. But it is not certain, after all, that the chancellorship was actually vacant at the time this letter was written, and there are some reasons for dating it about January 1537, when the King was forming a body-guard of spears (*See* Vol. XII., Pt. I., No. 299). "Stapulton's book" might be a draft of the patent granted to Sir Brian Stapleton on the 14 February 1537. *See* Vol. XII., Part I., No. 539 (26).

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29 Oct. **717.** MALLING ABBEY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 604.

Surrender (by Margaret the abbess and the convent) of the monastery and all its possessions in co. Kent and elswhere in England, Wales and the marches. 29 Oct. 1538. *No signatures.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 30.]

Seal broken at edges.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2. *no.* 44] as acknowledged same day before Ric. Layton and Wm. Peter, doctors of laws.

718. MARGARET VERNON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has received his letter and perceives it is the King's pleasure that she should come to Cromwell. Trusts he will consider her "age and unableness to journey so far in one day." Will be with him on Friday.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Oct. **719.** DR. JOHN LONDON to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. III. 130.

I have not rased the houses so much as, I perceive, the King and your Lordship are informed. I had rased none save for the words of my commission, and did not extremely do so but when the importunity of the people, who would else have pilled all, compelled me. I have saved all lead and plate, yet have I been in beggarly houses, as now at the White Friars in Northampton, where all they have cannot pay their debts. Briefly I will rehearse what I did:—

At Reading.*—Defaced the church, the windows being full of friars, and left the roof and walls whole to the King's use; sold their ornaments, "sellys" in the dortoir, and certain utensils which else had been stolen.

At Aylesbury.—Very poor and in debt. Sold glass windows, ornaments, and utensils. Left the house whole, and only defaced the church, which is well covered with lead and has a good new roof.

At Bedford.—Sold church ornaments and certain utensils. Saved all the lead, with some utensils, to leave with Mr. Gostwike.

At Stamford.—Left the Grey Friars their brewing vessels; could get but 8*s.* for all the kitchen stuff; sold their church ornaments and glass and certain stuff. Sold no glass at the Grey, White, or Black Friars, but in the churches. At the Austin Friars sold all glass, else it would have been stolen, for it stands out of the town. At three friars' [houses] there I sold the brewing vessels.

At Coventry.—Partly rased the Grey Friars, "because the poor people lay so sore upon it," but did little to the White Friars,

At Warwick.—The Friars' is without the town, a ruinous house with lead only in the gutters and on the steeple. Defaced church windows and "sellys" of the dortoir, as I did in all except Bedford and Aylesbury, where were few buyers. Pulled down the house at none of the Friars', but only defaced them, that they "should not lightly be made friaries again."

At Tellisford.—Crosse Friars, I have only received the surrender and left the house in custody of the late minister and one of the King's servants till I know your pleasure. In the body of the church was an image, at an altar's end, called Maiden Cutbroghe, and under her feet a trough of wood descending under the altar, which was hollow. Thither resorted such as had headache or had any "slottich widows' locks, viz., hair grown together in a tuft." They put a peck of oats into the trough, and when they were once slid under the altar, the friars stole them out from behind, and the sick must pay a penny for a pint of these Maiden Cutbrogh oats, "and then their heads

* The names of the places are repeated in margin in a larger hand.

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719. Dr. John London to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

should ache no more till the next time." Has pulled down this idol, with her manger.

At Northampton I find the prior of Augustines one of the most unthrifty I have met with, yet have I found few true. I trust to bring their falsehood to light; meantime I am fain to set the prior and almost all the brethren in ward. They have delivered out all their plate and stuff, and made feigned bills of sale and of receipt, some of which I enclose. The prior confesses he has made away this year above 100*l.* plate. He is a great dicer and a reveller.

I will henceforth deface no house without special command, but, if there be no surveyor to do it at once or sure man to inhabit them, the houses will be spoiled. I thought I acted for the best, and have, after paying debts and rewards, saving also the walls, roofing, lead, slate, and tiles, and all plate, 200*l.* and above in good gold. I have also saved the best ornaments. All these I will send up now, upon All Hallow tide, before executing these commissions last sent from your Lordship. Northampton, 29 October.

Hol., pp. 3. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Enclosures in the preceding.

(1.) Receipt by John Goodwyn, prior, and the convent of the Austin Friars in Northampton, from John Sawnders, dyer, of Northampton, of 15*l.* on pledge of a silver gilt cross, 20 April 28 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* J. Goodwyn, prior, Stephen Barwyck, subprior, J. Browne, J. Wyllsone, and Geo. Mowll.

Note by Dr. London, above: "The false friar hath received no penny, and now I have tried out all their falsehood, for now in prison one accuseth another."

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R. O. (2.) Receipt by John Goodwyn, prior, and the convent of Austin Friars at Northampton, from John Bryghtwyn of 12*l.* on the pledge of 9 pieces of arras in the choir, 2 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. *In Goodwyn's hand.*

Note by Dr. London, above: "The false friar received no penny of this money, as the honest man confesseth, and the honest man kept this stuff to the King's use."

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29 Oct. **720.** Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.*

Calig. B. III. 220. B. M. Met lord Maxwell at Lochmaben-stone, 16 Oct., and the 17th at Roclyf, and so in England and Scotland every day till the 27 Oct. Finds him ready to do justice. Delivered and took deliverance on the first day of meeting for all the attemptates, since Wharton's beginning. The number of earlier bills was for England 142 either made foul or clean, and for Scotland 186, likewise ordered by the sizers. Some bills put in for Canaby are at present suspended. The West Borders are obedient. Begs credence for the bearer, and that Sir William Musgrave may be sent to these parts as sheriff of Cumberland, with a commission of gaol delivery—lord Dacres and others to be joined in it. Will show himself so diligent in the charge that my lord of Norfolk, the earl of Cumberland, and the lord Dacres, with all their experience, "shall not adwode (*sic*) much thereof." Carlisle, 29 Oct.

P.S.—Sends copy of a proclamation made by himself and Maxwell for regulating the Debateable Land, the dwellers there, as in the old lord Dacre's, days, being occasioners of great mischief. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. by Wriothesley.*

* This and the next letter ought to have appeared in the year 1537. *See* Vol. XII., Pt. II., No. 990. The error unfortunately was not discovered till just on the eve of going to press.

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721. Sir Thomas Wharton's Servant to [Cromwell.]*

R. O. "Pleaseth it your Lordship to have [in your] remembrance the articles sent from Sir Thomas [Wharton]."

1. That I may know your Lordship's pleasure concerning the articles for the inhabitants of the Debateable Land, what the King will have done therein. (2.) That you would send down Sir William Musgrave as sheriff of Cumberland this year, "like to my master's letter." (3.) That you would admit Th[omas] Blannerassett crowner of the East part of Cumberland. (4.) That you would send down a commission of gaol delivery to the Borders, putting in it lord Dacre, Sir Chr. Dacre, Sir Thomas Curwen, or other. (5.) That you would obtain licence under the King's seal for my master, Sir Thomas Wharton, to give or sell into Scotland six horses in one year.

P. 1. *Faded.*

29 Oct. **722.** John Bekynsaw to Cromwell.

R. O. Has often sought occasion to write to Cromwell his true mind, and now one presents itself unsought and rather troublous. Two students, Bowser and Knyght, came to Paris about Mid Lent last, to whom he showed all the attention he could. A rumour came that they were apostate monks, and the principal of the college where Mr. Knyght dwelt expelled him. Bowser affirmed that the writer was the author of this rumour. Went to the principal, who said he heard it of an uncertain rumour, but promised to clear him by any oath. Bowser, however, still railed at him with threatenings, on hearing which he sent him word that he defied all such apostates as he, and was sorry he had shown any kindness to such a vicious liver as he had shown himself here. Hereupon he has made false informations of Bekynsaw to my lord of Canterbury that he could neither say well nor hear well said of the King's Majesty, but spoke against the suppressing of the abbeys (when he wished that there had never been monk made), and also against the primacy, when Cromwell asked him his mind, the thing being not then determined by the King and Council, though he has since always approved without murmur the decision come to. Refers to ambassadors and others who have been at Paris, as Mr. Werner, Mr. Archdeacon Carow, Mr. Quyne, Mr. Coverdale, and Mr. Grafton. It is true he said once to Mr. Knyght, who conveyed one Sterkay out of this town, that he should not help him because he was a sacramentary. Said this because he railed on my lord of Winchester, then ambassador here, and threatened to kill him on account of Frith's death. Wrote to my Lord thereof accordingly. Has also praised Frenchmen and their country, in opposition to Englishmen who decried them, and has shown behind the Frenchmen's backs the reason why he did so; as to Mr. Quyne, your chaplain, and others. And when they cast in his teeth the deaths of those executed in England, would ask why they put to death thieves and traitors. Has often, indeed, supported their fashion more than his mind was because he is married to a French woman; which he did to avoid his friends soliciting him to be a priest. Paris, 29 Oct. 1538.

Pp. 4. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley:* Bekynsau to the late P.S.

30 Oct. **723.** Miles Coverdale to Cromwell.

R. O. On the 29th inst Mr. Beckynsall, student here at Paris, came to him to complain that he was accused by light tongues of not being in all things conformable to the King's acts. Would have informed Cromwell himself if he knew it to be so. Is sure that Mr. Archdeacon Karow and Mr. Quene, who are in the same lodging with Beckynsall, if they had heard any such thing, would not only have reported it, but would have avoided his company. All we of the King's nation here are of one heart towards God and our sovereign. God preserve the King and prince Edward. Paris, 30 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* *See* note on preceding page.

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30 Oct. **724.** Richard Shelley to Don Albano Inglese.*

R. O. 30 Oct. 1538, in Venice:—Wrote about the 10th ult. Soap and spices promised to Giulio, the singer, to be sent from Eredi de Saracini. Compares the playing on the lute of Messere Ant. Marco de l'Aquila unfavourably with that of Messere Francesco Milanese. "Messere Sigismundo† Harvell nostro" is not yet made the King's secretary. and the matter seems to have cooled. Death of the duke of Urbino.

Italian, p. 1. *Modern copy from MS. in the Vatican. Add.:* "Allo molto Reverendo Messere Don Albano Inglese in Stra Vidali in Bologna."

30 Oct. **725.** Dutch.

R. O. A certificate in Dutch given by certain officials at Brussels touching Jan Sconeman and William Paelync, dated 30 Oct. 1538.

P. 1. *Three seals have been attached, of which fragments of two remain.*

31 Oct. **726.** [Sir] John Hercy to Cromwell.

R. O. As I understand by my cousin, John Lassells, your benevolence towards me, I should be glad to obtain the stewardship of Tyckell and Cunysboro, which Sir Arthur Darcy has, by joint patent with Sir Harry Wyat, late deceased, which would enable me to serve the King better. I would give you 200 mks., although I am charged 1,000 mks. for the marriage of my sisters, which weighs so on me that I cannot give at all times such attendance as I would. I hope to have 100 or 200 men ready at the King's commands. I rejoice that you are justice of the forests from Trent northward.‡ In Sherwood you ought to have many men if it be well looked on, and I trust your sessions will reform many things, especially waste of woods. The prior and convent of Wyrkesopp are so covetous, they sell flocks of sheep, kye, corn, woods, &c., and all our priors follow the example. Rye is wondrous dear. Leather is risen a third. Your warrant and fee stag have made me and my friends merry. I beg you will remember your servant Lassells to have the preferment of Beyvall abbey for the setting forward of a faithful brother, and you shall command me, having no children, to help him. Grove, 31 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Oct. **727.** [Sir] Robert Husey to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received Cromwell's letter desiring him to tarry a time for such things as he has made suit for. Is well content to do so. Linwodd, last day of October. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Oct. **728.** Bp. Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. At my last being with your Lordship, you were content that the bearer, William Wagham of Talgarthe, should be in the King's service, so I moved the King; but letters to the King from the earl of Worcester (whose officer he is) cannot be obtained, although he is ready to put offices and other in jeopardy, trusting to the King's goodness. I beg you advance him to his Grace. Last day of October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

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* Evidently the "Albanus Hylus" who wrote to Cromwell on the 25th. *See* No. 694.

† Probaby meaning Edmund. *See* Part I., Nos. 621, 1296, and, as to Sigismund, 1194.

‡ This office had been held by lord Darcy and was granted to Cromwell on his attainder. But Cromwell's patent bears date only on the 30 Dec. 1537. *See* XII. ii. 1311 (39).

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31 Oct. **729.** LORD LEONARD GREY to CROMWELL.

Lamb. 601. f. 26.

Since my last the Council and I assembled at Trim, 7 Oct., where we concluded [to make] a journey for eight days' victuals upon O'Reaille, who kept not his appointments with me. On the 8th I repaired from Trim to Kenlys, where O'Reile met me and came to an agreement. On the 10th I went to Dundalk to meet O'Neile, who agreed to meet me at Carrick Bradagh, but broke his appointment. Mr. Treasurer came to Dundalk with his company, and I agreed to go with him to Lecayle, as Savage, chief captain of his nation, would not pay his farm there but brought in Scots. Took all the castles there and delivered them to Mr. Treasurer. Took also a castle in McGuinous' country called Doundrone, one of the strongest holds in Ireland, and most commodious for the defence of Lecayle both by sea and land; for Lecayle is environed by the sea, and there is no way to enter it by land but by the said castle. The Scots fled, "leaving much corn, butters and other pilfery" behind them. Took also a castle which the Scots had and other castles in Ards. Never saw a pleasanter plot of ground than Lecayle "for commodity of the land, and divers islands in the same environed with the sea, which were soon reclaimed and inhabited, the King's pleasure known."

Though I openly reported this journey, my object was, having sure knowledge that my nephew, young Garrat, was with O'Neill to lure him into my hands, when O'Neill and I met; and if I had not taken him, by the oath I made to my sovereign lord, I would have taken O'Neill, and kept him till he had procured the delivery of the said Gerald into my hands. If I had had ordnance I would have fought the strongest hold O'Neill has ere this for the purpose. Wishes he could get leave to come over and speak with Cromwell to show him some secret things touching his nephew's apprehension and the subduing of the Irish rebels. Manoth Castle, 31 Oct. *Signed.*

Copy, pp. 2. *Headed by Carew:* A letter from the lord Leonard Grey . . . unto the L. Cromwell, L. Privy Seal.

730. PARSON OF BARNSLEY to ———

R. O.

Lowly commendation to your mastership. Glad to hear of your good health, "desyeryng you to remember our lysance to byry yn our chourche yerde, and allso to bey us bybulle of the largyste wolyme. I woll see you payd ffor hym by the grace of God, who ever kepe you. By yor beddeman the person off Barnesley."

Small slip, p. 1.

731. JOHN HALES to MR. HANBY.

R. O.

The soil of the church, churchyard, and choir of the late White Friars in Coventry, is worth yearly, after the buildings are defaced and the ground made clean—6*s.* 8*d.*

I have spoken to Mr. Chancellor about these particulars which you have not in your book. I have promised to pay the overplus, if, at the survey, it is found to be worth more. I beseech you to help me thereto. Mr. Chancellor will move the Council that it may pass in Mr. Sadleyr's book of his exchange.

Hol., p. 1.

732. THE ENGLISH NOBILITY.

Brady's Episcopal Succession III. 493.

"The names of all the nobility in England, their ages, and their activeness."*

"The duke of Norfolk, 72 years, the chief and best captain. The duke of Suffolk, of the same age, a good man and captain, sickly and half lame. The

* This is printed by Brady, not as an entire document but as part of a document "found lately among some loose papers in the *Archivio di Stato* at Rome." The date must be after July 1538, when the *young* earl of Shrewsbury, Francis, succeeded his father, and before the following November when the marquis of Exeter was arrested.

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732. The English Nobility—*cont.*

marquis of Exeter, 36, lusty and strong of power, specially beloved, diseased often with the gout and next unto the Crown of any man within England. The marquess Dorset, 26, young, lusty, and poor, of great possessions, but which (?) are not in his hands, many friends of great power, with little or no experience, well learned and a great wit. The earl of Oxford, of 66 years, a man of great power and little experience. The earl of Arundel, 60, a man of great power, little wit, and less experience; his son, young and lusty, of good wit and like to do well. The earl of Shrewsbury, of great power, young and lusty, and little wit and no experience. The earl of Derby, the greatest of power and land, young, and a child in wisdom, and half a fool. The earl of Cumberland, a man of 50 years, of good power, without discretion or conduct. The earl of Westmoreland, of like age, of a great power, without wit or knowledge. The earl of Rutland, of like age, of great power, with small wit and little discretion. The earl of Essex, an old man, of little wit and less experience, without power. The earl of Sussex, of 50 years, of small power and little discretion and many words. The earl of Wiltshire, of 60, of small power, wise, and little experience, Queen Anne's father. The earl of Hampton and Admiral of England, made by the King; wise, active, and of good experience; one of the best captains in England. The earl of Bath, old and foolish. The earl of Worcester, young and foolish, and of great power in Wales. The earl of Hertford, young and wise, of small power, and brother unto the last Queen deceased. The earl of Huntingdon, of 60 years, of great power, little discretion and less experience."

Printed from a MS. in the Archivio di Stato at Rome.

733. The Holy League.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 243. B. M.

Supplementary articles agreed upon at St. Peter's, — Oct.* 1538, 4 Paul III. between the Pope, the Emperor, and the Venetians, (the two latter by their ambassadors, Aguillara and Marc Antonio Contarini), in order to give effect to the Holy League concluded between them on the 8 Feb. last, for an expedition against the Turk in 1539 at latest. The numbers to be at least 60,000 foot and 5,000 horse. Proportions of Germans, Spaniards, Italians, &c., defined; and how they are to be commanded. If Francis should join, as is confidently hoped, any infantry he may bring (Swiss would be most useful) should be over and above the said total of 60,000; but any horse he may contribute to the above 5,000 will relieve the allies to that extent. The expedition to meet at Brindisi or Otranto as may be arranged with Prince Doria.

Lat., pp. 9. *Modern copy. The original endd.:* Copia del instrumento de la declaracion para la empresa del anno che viene, que embia el marques de Aguilar, 1538. [*See Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. No. 22.]

734. Grants in October 1538.

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1. Nich. Uvedale, professor of the liberal arts, vicar of Branktre, London dioc., and schoolmaster (*informator et ludimagister*) in the royal college of St. Mary Eton. Licence to hold his said vicarage with other benefices without personal residence. Knoll, 16 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 17.

2. Anth. Chabo, King's surgeon. Licence to buy and export 400 tuns of beer. Castle of Dover, 4 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct.—P.S.

3. Fras. Knolles. Grant for life of the reversions of the manor of Rotherfeld Grey, Oxon, and of advowsons, knights' fees, and other appurtenances thereof, including a several fishery of the water of Thames in Rotherfeld Grey, Oxon, now held by Sir Rob. Lee and Letitia his wife by virtue of patent 25 Jan. 9 Hen. VIII., granting the same to Robt. Knolles, gentleman usher of the King's Chamber, now deceased, and the said Letitia, then his wife, in survivorship after a term of years now expired for which

* Not actually signed till the 3rd Nov. (*See* No. 794.)

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they were leased to John Russell. Oking, 23 July 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 17.

4. Sir Edm. Braye, lord Braye. Licence to alienate by fine the manor of Haunce *alias* Hawnes, and one messuage and certain acres in Crawley *alias* Osbourne Crawley, Beds., with the advowson of the free chapel of Hawnes; to Sir Thos. Audeley the Chancellor, Thos. Crumwell, K. G. lord Crumwell, Sir Wm. Paulet, and Sir John Russell, sen. And to the said Thos. Audeley, &c., to regrant the premises to the said Edm. for life: with remainder to John Bray, s. and h. apparent of the said Edm., and the heirs male of his body; with contingent remainder to the heirs male of the body of the said Edm.; with contingent remainder to Sir Edw. Bray, brother of the said Edmund; with contingent remainder to Reg. Braye, brother of the said Edmund, and the heirs male of his body; with contingent remainder to the right heirs of the said Edmund. Westm., 4 Oct. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 6, *m.* 4.

5. Nuell de la Salle, one of the King's minstrels. Licence to buy and export 200 tuns of beer. Knolle, 16 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Oct.—P.S.

6. Dean and chapter of Hereford cathedral. Congé d'élire on the voidance of the bishopric by death. *Del.* Westm., 5 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3. Rymer, XIV. 598.

7. Wm. Smyth of London. Licence to alienate a tenement in Bow Lane, in the parish of St. Mary-le-Bow, London, now in the tenure of Hen. Adams, "barbour surgeant," to Wm. Lok, mercer, London. Westm., 5 Oct. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 8, *m.* 20.

8. Wm. Cavendisshe, one of the auditors of the Court of Augmentation and Margaret his wife. Grant in fee of the chapel of St. Laurence in the Busshe of Wormeley in the vill of Chesthunt, Herts; which belonged to the dissolved monastery of canons of Thetford, Norfolk, in as full manner as John Clerk, the late prior, or Thomas Herde, canon, late keeper of the said chapel, held the same; also a piece of land in the vill of Tallyngton, Linc., with a ruined water-mill thereon, and the water-course, which belonged to the dissolved monastery of Busshemede, Beds., in as full manner as Robt. Burre, the late prior, held the same. Clear annual value, 9*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.*; rent, 21*s.* 7*d.* *Del.* Westm., 8 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 14.

9. Robt. Bocher and Eliz. his wife. Grant in tail male of Cruelfeld Grange with all the lands, pastures, &c. (specified) thereto pertaining, in Cruelfeld, in the parish of Stonley, which belonged to the late monastery of Stonley, Warw. Also lands called Dyconswaste, late in the tenure of Robt. Cutberd, lands called Cokkeswast, late in the tenure of John Hykynson, and a tenement near Cruelfeld late in the tenure of Ric. Harper, all in the said parish and belonging to Stoneley. Annual value of 23*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.*, rent, 47*s.* *Del.* Westm., 9 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 41.

10. Anth. Denny and Sir Thos. Hennage. Grant in survivorship of the office of bailiff of the manor or lordship of Chesthunte, Herts., and keeper of Brantyngesley park there, with 4*d.* a day. *Del.* Westm., 10 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 7, *m.* 1.

11. Ric. Palmer, J.P. in co. Hereford, and Walt. Blunt, J.P. in co. Staff. Grant in survivorship of the office of surveyor and approver of the earldom of March, both in England and Wales, and of all lands, &c., in the lordship of Ruthyn *alias* Deferent Lloide; with fees of 20 marks a year; in as full manner as Wm. Chomley, Peter Newton, or any other enjoyed the office. On surrender of patent 21 July 18 Hen. VIII., granting the office to the said Wm. Chomley, and patent 29 June 19 Hen. VIII., granting the reversion to the said Richard. *Del.* Westm., 10 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 7, *m.* 1.

12. John Broun and Etheldred his wife Licence to alienate a third part of the manor of Alba Rothyng, *alias* Merks, and 16 messuages and lands, &c., in Alba Rothyng, Ayston, Castell Camps, Cyte Camps, and Hersett; a third part of the advowson of Alba Rothyng church, Essex, and a third part of the manor of Kempton, with 12 messuages and certain lands, &c., in Kempton, Herts; a third part of the manor of Warmester, and 30 messuages and certain lands, &c., in Warmester, Fyffehed, Verdon, Dythoryche, and Westbury, Wilts, to Thomas Carowe and John Knight, and the heirs of the said Thos. Westm., 10 Oct. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

13. *London*—.John Avelyng of Hither in the parish of Egham, Surrey, bargeman. Reversal of outlawry. Sued for debt in the Common Pleas by Joan Armyston, widow, executrix of Clement Armyston *alias* Urmyston *alias* Ormunston, grocer, London. Surrendered to the Flete prison, as certified by Sir John Baldewyn, C. J. of C.P. Westm., Oct. 10. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

14. Rog. Chaloner, a sewer of the Chamber. Lease of a water-mill called Martyns Mill upon the water or river of Gallwey, Connaught, in Ireland, in the King's hands as an escheat, with the fishing in the river, except in three fishing places lately leased to Thos. Merton, by the advice of Anth. Seintledgier and Geo. Poulet, and others the King's commissioners in Ireland; for 40 years; at 20*s.* rent. Hampton Court, 9 July, 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 15.

15. Wm. Cockys, one of the King's footmen (*unus pedestrorum Regis*). Lease of the lands in the parish of Lowsham,

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Kent, called Binklandys, now held by said Wm.; for 30 years; at 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* rent. Westm., 14 Oct. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

16. Thomas Culpeper. Grant in fee simple of the advowson of the parish church of Leeds, Yorks., which belonged to the dissolved monastery of Holy Trinity, York. To hold by the hundredth part of a knight's fee. *Signed by* Ric. Riche and Robt. Sowthwell. *Del.* Westm., 15 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

17. Thos. Twesell (in consideration of his services to the late Queen Consort Jane). To be auditor of the duchy of York on this side Trent and of the said late Queen's lands; with fees of 10*l.* a year and other allowances as enjoyed by the said Thomas or Thomas Combez or any other in that office. Westm., 15 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

18. Thos. Bentley, yeoman of the Crown. Reversion of 6*d.* a day as fee of the Crown on the first vacancy among Wm. à Lee, Hen. Holden, Wm. Gysnam, and other holders. Westm., 15 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

19. Nich. Archbold, clk., one of the ministers of the King's chapel. Presentation to the rectory of Harleston, Linc. dioc., void by death and in the King's gift by the suppression of the monastery of Lenton. Westminster Palace, 13 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Oct.—P.S.

20. Thomas Paynell. Licence to export 500 unwrought woollen cloths. Westm., 16 Oct. *French Roll*, 30 *Hen. VIII.*, *m.* 2.

21. Simon Symondys, clk., King's chaplain. Presentation to the deanery of the collegiate church of Tamworthe, Cov. and Lich. dioc., *vice* Thos. Parker, dec. Canterbury, 9 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

22. John Alen, gent. To be Chancellor of Ireland during good conduct; with 100 mks. a year out of the ports of Dublin, Drogheda, and Dundalk, with full powers, notwithstanding the Statute of 10 Hen. VII. by which the authority of judges in that land is during the King's pleasure only. *Del.* Westm., 18 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

Vacated on personal surrender 26 Oct. 38 Hen. VIII., by the said John, who took it upon himself to bring the said letters which were then in Ireland into Chancery to be cancelled whenever they should come to his hand. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 18.

23. Lancelot Alford one of the pages of the Wardrobe of Beds. Lease of the manor of Billyngborough, Linc., for 21 years from Mich. A.D. 1539, on the expiration of a 21 years' lease thereof granted to Thos. Gildon by patent, 9 July 10 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 44.

24. Thos. earl of Wiltshire, and Ormond and Marg. Boleyn, widow. Licence to alienate the manors of Aylesbury and Berton, and lands in Aylesbury, Hogette, and Berton, Bucks, to Wm. Baldewyn, Thos. Dignam, and Wm. Vener, and the heirs of the said Wm. Baldewyne by fine; to be re-granted to Sir John Baldewyn, and the heirs of his body; or, in default, to his right heirs. Westm., 20 Oct. *Pat.* 30 Hen. VIII. *p.* 3, *m.* 5.

25. Arnold Thyns. Licence to buy and export 50 tuns of beer. *Del.* Westm., 21 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

26. Sir Anth. Wyngefeld. Grant, in tail male, of the manors of Wickeham Markett, Gelham, and Byingehall, Suff., and a water-mill in Wykeham Markett, Suff., which belonged to the dissolved monastery of Campsey, Suff., with lands, &c., in Wykeham Markett, Pistree, Harpole, Gelham, Byyinge, Dalenghoo, and Bredfeld, Suff.; in as full manor as Elea Buttre, the late prioress, held the same. Clear annual value 67*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* The Crown undertakes to pay to one John Eyer, for term of his life, an annuity of 35*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* granted to him by patent 29 Feb. 29 Hen. VIII, out of the premises. Annual rent payable for the premises, 38*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* *Del.* Westm., 22 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

27. *Yorkshire.* Commission to Sir Ralph Evers, Robt. Bows, John Barton of Whenby and Edm. Copyndale to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Walt. Calverey. Westm., 24 Oct. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

28. Urian Brereton, yeoman of the Privy Chamber. To be constable of the castle called Elmeley Castell *alias* Elmeley Bredon, Worc., with the stewardship, mastership of game, custody of parks, &c., there and within the lordship or manor of Elmeley, *vice* Walter Walsshe dec. Palace of Westminster, 27 March 29 Henry VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

29. David Sambroke. Exemption, so long as he remains in the King's service, from being placed on juries and from being made escheater, coroner, &c. Westm., 23 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 50.

30. James Colyer, of Stone, Staff., draper and Isabella his wife. Grant in fee (for 67*l.* 10*s.*) of a tenement called the "Antylop" with garden, orchard, and a meadow called Makeley More *alias* Mabeley More in the town of Stone, Staff., and a cottage and garden there in the tenure of Thos. Smyth. The premises belonged to the dissolved monastery of Stone, Staff. Annual value, 100*s.*; rent, 10*s.* *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

31. Brian Laighton. Lease of the chapel of Besingbie, Yorks, parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of Bridlington, in the

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King's hands by the attainder of William the late prior there; for 21 years; at 10*l.* 13*s.*4*d.* rent and 12*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

32. Anne Oglaunder, widow of Oliver Oglaunder. Lease of the manor of Whitfelde in the Isle of Wight, Hants, with reservations; for 21 years; at 19*l.* rent, and 12*d.* of increase. On surrender by the said Anne as executrix of the said Oliver of patent, 21 May 12 Hen. VIII. granting a similar lease to the same Oliver. *Del.* Westm., 26 Oct. 30 Hen VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 8, *m.* 15.

33. Matth. Ap Thomas Ap Rice, one of the gentlemen ushers of the King's Chamber. Lease of the water-mill of Beauder in Kedewen; and two pastures there called Fryth Garth and Fryth Beauder, with the demesne lands called Beauder lande and Kahenry in the lordship of Kedewen, parcel of the earldom of March; for 21 years; at 6*l.* 13*d.* rent and 12*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 26 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

34. Edm. Fetyplace of Besilsligh, Berks., and Marg. his wife. Grant in fee (in exchange for the site of the manor of Longworthe, Berks., with appurtenances in the several tenures of Edm. Tokewell, Thos. Tokewell, and Ric. Rowland, and other lands in Longworth) of the closes of land called Hynewode *alias* Henwode, Berks, and Bradley in Comnor, Berks, and all tithes issuing therefrom, which belonged to the dissolved monastery of Abendon, Berks. To hold by the annual rent of 3*s.* 4*d.* *Del.* Westm., 28 Oct. 30 *Hen. VIII.*—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 7.

35. Sir Rog. Clarkson, parson of Croftou, York. Licence to be non-resident from the 16 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII. during the natural life of Sir John Aleyn, alderman of London, and to keep the service he had on that day or any other service which he may hereafter have by means of the said Sir John. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 7.

36. Thos. Haidoke *or* Haydoke. Grant of the manor of Eland Redmayne, and all lands, &c., in Eland Redmayne, Londesdale, Delacre, Myddelton, Hesham, Bolton in Londesdale, Rotherworth in Kendalle, Warton, Sherton, Hutton, Flokeboroughe in Londesdale, Sylverdale and the town of Lancaster, or elsewhere in cos. Lanc., York, Cumb. and Westmor., late the property of Launcelot Laurence, dec., during the minority of Thos. Laurence, s. and h. of the said Launcelot; with the wardship and marriage of the said heir. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 29.

(2.) Another grant to the same effect, but for the county of Lancaster alone. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 7.

37. Robt. Dacres of London. Grant in fee (for 500*l.* paid by him to John Gostwyke, Treasurer of First Fruits and Tenths) of the manor of Andrewes in Chesthunt, Herts, and a moiety of the manor of Moteland *alias* The Mote in Chesthunt, and all that belongs to the King of the said manor of Motelond; which premises came to the King by the attainder of Thos. Cardinal archbp. of York, and were granted in tail by virtue of the Act 22 Hen. VIII. to Hen., late duke of Richmond and Somerset, who died without issue.

Also reversion, in fee, of seven messuages and six gardens in the parishes of St. Clement Danes without the Bars of the New Temple, London, and St. Mary-le-Strond, Midd., which Hen. earl of Worcester and dame Eliz. his wife hold in survivorship by patent 13 April 22 Hen. VIII.; and all those lands, &c., in Chesthunt called Aylmers, four acres of land in Longland, five acres in Landmede and four acres of pasture in Ponyngys Pyttys in Chesthunt, late in the possession of the said Cardinal. *Del.* Westm., 30 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

38. John Bulle, late of Calais, gunner, whom the mayor and brethren of Calais have banished into England "for advoultry by provocation and no deed done," and which he denies. Pardon and reversal of banishment. Westm., 29 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

39. Ric. Benese, clk., King's chaplain. Presentation to the office of precentor in the cathedral church of Hereford, *vice* Thos. Parker, dec. Westm., 28 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

40. Averey Burnet, a gentleman of the King's chapel, and John Haryngton. Annuity of 20 mks. a year out of the lordship of Denbigh in North Wales; in survivorship. *Del.* Westm., 31 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

735. HENRY VIII. to WRIOTHESLEY, [VAUGHAN, and CARNE].

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St. P. VIII. 83.

Has received their letters, whereby, and by the report of Sir Anthony Browne, lately ambassador in France, the King perceives their goodwill to proceed in their charge. Thanks Wriothesley for the zeal he has shown in spite of illness. Supposes the Queen Regent is now or will shortly be at Brussels, and as they had at their departure only general instructions gives them more full instructions as to his mind. They shall first declare the previous overtures of the Emperor and his agents, and last of all his own declaration to Wyatt, at Villa Franca, which convinced the King that he had sent a full

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commission to the Regent Dowager of Hungary to treat for the stricter amity and alliances; yet, as his ambassadors in England had not sufficient commission, the King, trusting to his goodwill expressed at Villa Franca, had sent them for that purpose, and they must urge the Queen and other commissioners to use no less frankness than the Emperor did. If they will first proceed to the stricter amity, you are to press for a declaration of their mind what aid they will give and require in case of invasion, in which it must be considered that their countries are much more exposed, while England is surrounded by sea. The marriages being agreed on, you may assure them that we will denounce to all the world, both in word and otherwise, that who is enemy to the one is enemy to the other, so that they be bound likewise. Will aid in the defence of Holland, Flanders, &c. with 5,000 foot by land and 1,500 or 2,000 soldiers by sea, provided he will assist the King with 1,200 men-of-arms, each furnished with three good horses and 1,500 or 2,000 soldiers equipped for sea in case of any invasion of England, or of our being compelled to invade France for the recovery of our pension. If they question whether aid should be given at the expenses of the power demanding it or the other, you shall feel their minds which they prefer, and give no decisive answer without referring to us. We are content not to treat with any prince without the Emperor's knowledge, if he will be so bound also, and he may easily procure much peace in Christendom if on the treaty which it is said he means to make with France he will comprehend us as is aforesaid.

If they will first treat upon the alliances and marriages, you shall first set forth the marriage of our daughter the Lady Mary with the Infant Don Ludovic of Portugal, first requiring that the said Don Ludovic have investiture of Milan by a certain time. 2. That they shall accept our said daughter as she is declared to be by the laws of our realm, and make no claim to the succession of the same, other than shall be by us ordained by the power given to us by the laws. 3. In case, in default of our lawful heirs, we give her title to the succession, so that the said Don Ludovic should succeed he shall be bound to stand to all the laws he finds established in this realm, and also he and the Lady Mary, not having issue, shall remain in this realm till they have. As to the dote of our said daughter we will be content to give her according to the dowry they will assign to her at the rate of 25 in the 100, or if you cannot do so, after 20 in the 100. As to our marriage with the duchess dowager of Milan we shall be content to conclude therein, provided she be duly answered of her marriage money and her dowry upon Milan; for which we would require the Emperor to assign payment upon Flanders or the Low Countries. In that case we will not fail to give her such a dowry as other queens have had, and if for this you be compelled to sue to the Regent, bid her to remember that she is a dowager and beg her to intercede for another dowager.

We think it very expedient that when these matters are partly agreed between you, the Emperor should send Don Ludovic into Flanders, with some of his most trusty counsellors, as Granvelle or Cobos, to conclude the same; in which case we will send thither counsellors of our own; and the same done, we think it also expedient that our said sister, if it may so please her, then resort to Calais with such commissioners as shall be appointed, and bring with her the Duchess, when we will cross the sea to meet her, bringing with us our said daughter the Lady Mary, to deliver her and to receive the Duchess. You must further understand that in the conferences between our commissioners and the Emperor's ambassadors, the latter offered to deduct such dote as we shall assign to our said daughter from the Duchess's marriage money and pay it to Don Ludovic.

As to the aid to be given against the Turk, you shall declare our zeal, but observe we cannot resolve upon particulars till we know the enterprises, aids, confederates, &c.

Draft, corrected by Sadler.

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2. An earlier draft of the same, with corrections in Cromwell's hand. *Mutilated, pp.* 13.

736. WALES.

R. O.

"Remembrances from the lord President of the Marches of Wales to the Right Honourable the lord Privy Seal."*

1. To remember Wales for shire ground, and whether this Council shall practise with them for granting fines for the King's favour touching the three articles sent up by Sir Ric. Harbertt. 2. To move his Lordship for the suppression of the priory of St. Thomas,† as the prior makes unreasonable waste, and that I may have the said priory at an easy rent, that the poor boys, my nephews, may have some relief thereby. And my Lord to write to the surveyors that I may buy what things belonging to the house I think meet. 3. To remember the commission to me and Mr. Sulyarde to suppress Wygmore abbey, and to have a warrant for the stones, iron, lead, and glass for the repairs of the King's castles. 4. To desire his Lordship to write to Sir John Hurte, parson of Hanbury, for the resignation of his benefice upon a reasonable pension. 5. To desire his Lordship for his letters to Dr. Vaughan, dean of St. Mary's in Shrewsbury, in favour of a nephew of mine named John Thornes, that he may have the tithe of the Clyff belonging to the deanery. 6. To remember my Lord that my nephew, John Bradshaw, may have the demesnes of Wigmore abbey and the lordship and parsonage of Lentwarden. 7. For the pardons of the prisoners in Hereford and other pardons left to have been sped long before. 8. To desire his Lordship to remember Sir Richard Harbert's annuity of 10*l.*, which justice Fitzherbertt had. 9. To desire his Lordship to have in remembrance young Thos. Rotheram.‡ 10. The speaking with Mr. Bryan. 11. The speaking with Geoffrey Pole. 12. The three articles of Wales. 13. To write to my lord President touching the abbot of Wigmore.§ 14. Touching my lady of Malling for her pension and her sisters'. 15. For my licence of exchange with the abbot of Waltham. 16. For my licence for the assurance of the land to be given unto my son. 17. For the confirmation of the King for all my things. 18. Touching St. Thomas of Acres. 19. Touching the monks of the Charterhouse. 20. Touching all other religious houses. 21. The names of all the friars. 22. To speak to Mr. Henage for Lytleton.‖ 23. For the plate and jewels of Black, Augustin, and Grey Friars in London.

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737. BARDNEY ABBEY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 625.

Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Linc., York, Leic., and Ntht., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 1 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Marton, abbot, John Tomson, prior, *and* 12 *others*. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 8.]

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *no.* 36] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

* It is clear that this heading does not apply to the whole contents of the document, although the handwriting is the same throughout. Apparently an ignorant scribe has copied a paper emanating from bp. Roland Lee and a paper of Cromwell's "Remembrances" in sequence as if they were one.

† St. Thomas' priory, Stafford, which surrendered on the 17 Oct. *See* No. 635. It would appear therefore that this document should have been placed a little earlier.

‡ What follows seems to be Cromwell's Memoranda.

§ The document in Vol. XII., Pt. I., No. 742 (2) may have been written not very long before this; but the abbey itself was dissolved on the 18 Nov. 1538.

‖ *See* No. 629.

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1 Nov. **738.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have received your sundry letters. As to the Friars, my lord Privy Seal says that, whoever sues for it, you shall have it. Mr. Pollerd and others showed you at Canterbury what was to be done concerning the plate; it is a marvel you allow him who has it to keep it. My lord Privy Seal keeps the piece of wine you sent him for his own drinking. The boars' heads are not yet come. It had been a goodly present for the King; for my lord Privy Seal sets no great store by them. Trusts tomorrow to deliver the protection. I will remind Mr. Smith of the Exchequer of the 100*l.*, and the assurance to you of your life rent; and will send his answer. Will also speak with the collectors of subsidy. Will do my best to take an easy end with my lord Marquis. My Lady's coming over cannot be excused, so Mr. Pollerd says. Some honest place shall be found for her here for the time; the Nette will be too far off. Will pay for the bows when Sir Chr. Moris delivers them. Will be in hand with my lord Admiral according to your letter. I wrote my poor advice for Painswick; for my lord Privy Seal told me he had your promise, and I know he will see you recompensed. I will search for the recognisance. Debanck's obligation is in the chest that came from Soberton. Will send a saddle. London, 1 Nov.

When I ride to meet my Lady I will show how your affairs stand.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

1 Nov. **739.** [SIR] THOMAS WENTWORTH, Captain of Carlisle, to CROMWELL.

R. O. One John Humfrey of Scailby, on the Borders three miles from Carlisle, has bruited that the Commons were up in the South, for which the writer has committed him to Carlisle Castle. Begs to know Cromwell's pleasure concerning Humfrey; and also for answer to his late letter for the repair of the Castle of Carlisle. Castle of Karleill, 1 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1 *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

1 Nov. **740.** WRIOTHESLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. As my fellows† have thought it convenient for their discharge to write at this time of my condition "I thought it my part also to signify my judgment and feeling touching th . . . . . that my last tra * * * * that I came for. My heart is good enough, though my body be now in mean state, and rather [tha]n the body should not at this time serve the King I would wish and desire of God that it might be buried in Brussels. This unhappy sickness is to me a great pain and marvellous displeasure many ways. It letteth my study about my chief business. It taketh away all the commodity which I should take by my journey. It wasteth some money, it feeblisheth the body and many ways else troubleth the mind." If he cannot attend all the conferences hopes so to arm his fellows that they shall be strong enough to proceed. It is now said the Queen will not be here yet these four days, and I begin to think that she will not enter treaty with us "till she hear out of Spain for as . . . . . d immediat[ly] uppon . . . first . . . . . she dis * * * * (*nearly two lines lost*) st his men remaining here . . . . . must w[ri]te all that . . . . . trus[ting] that your Lordship will take all in good part. It is true that the French king gave the Queen such a diamond as we wrote of, and that he gave to every lady and gentlewoman besides a gift less or more." The entire value of his gifts was 50,000 or 60,000 crowns. To the noblemen he gave nothing "except some one or two of them took secretly to be friends which . . . . . of the . . . . . seme to suspect meaning as . . . . . by Mons. de Molemboys . . . . . this . . . . . rs proceeded . . . . . mouth of one of them called Mons. Brederowe, who by all

† Vaughan and Carne.

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lightlywood is no good Fr[ench]man; and with this I learned that importune labour hath been made on the French part at the late interview for a marriage between the duke of Orleans and the duchess of Milan, so as Milan indeed might be married with them, for the Frenchmen be still in dotage with Milan, and I see not that the other can satisfy them by any mean without their own undoing. I call it undoing to lose that they be like to lose in process by it." The country here was in much the same case ere this interview that the English people were in when the King went to Boulogne, that is, in the greatest fear and mistrust that could be. I am much better now than I was yesternight when I began this letter, and yet both days be in manner of like sort called good days. Brussels, Allhallowen day.

Hol., pp. 2. *Mutilated and illegible in parts. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1 Nov. **741.** MELANCTHON to VITUS THEODORUS.

Corpus Reform. III. 602.

* * * Our English ambassadors have returned. They bring good hope of amending the churches. Superstitious pilgrimages there are abolished. The monument of Thomas of Canterbury there has been destroyed; and the image of Mary by the Sea† and several others overthrown. * * * Kal. Nov.

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2 Nov. **742.** CROMWELL, Captain of the Isle of Wight.

See GRANTS in NOVEMBER, No. 2.

[2 Nov.] **743.** SIR GEOFFREY POLE.

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Original record of the second examination of Sir Geoffrey Pole. [*For abstract, see* No. 804.]. *At the end, in Pole's own hand:* "Sir, I beseech your noble Grace to pardon my wretchedness that I have not done my bounden duty unto your Grace heretofore as I have ought to have done, but Sir, grace coming to me to consider your nobleness always to me, and now especially in my extreme necessity, as I perceive by my lord Admiral and Mr. Controller, your goodness shall not be lost on me, but surely as I found your Grace always faithful unto me, so I refuse all creature living to be faithful to you. Your humble slave, Geffrey Pole."

Pp. 2. *Faded and mutilated.*

2 Nov. **744.** THE PARSON OF HOLFORDE to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. IV. 113. B. M.

As it pleases your Lordship to know how I did my message to the abbot of Athelney, I went to him from my Lord my master, the lord Audley, and found him in the church coming from mass at 10 a.m. Delivered my Lord's letters and commendations. The abbot replied he was glad to hear of my Lord's health, and if I would go with him to his chamber he would show me his mind. By the way he asked if lord Audley were of the "new sett or after the olde sorte." Replied he was of the best sort, subject to the King, and a good Englishman. Well, said the abbot, Do ye think he doth not judge there will be another world shortly? I said, Yes, when we be out of this; but in this I think there was never so gracious prince as the King, for "he loveth virtue and will punish vice." The abbot shook his head and asked if there were any news of "this great council beyond the sea." I said the King would provide for that, and he said "If I wist what would come of these matters I would soon be at a point with my Lord." He then went

† Walsingham.

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744. The Parson of Holforde to [Cromwell]—*cont.*

to his chamber to write to my Lord, and called me and asked if my Lord would have him resign his house to his lordship. I said, No; but perhaps there was good cause why he should resign it to the King. He said, then the house should be destroyed and the country undone as it is about Mytchyne (Muchelney); but I said, to re-assure him, that my Lord would dwell here and would petition the King that some of the Order here should remain, and that he himself should have 100 mks. and some prebend of the bishop of Sarum, and "weer a grey ammys," and all his brethren be provided for. He said if he had been willing to take as little as 100 mks. he might have been "stede" ere this, but he would fast three days on bread and water sooner; if he knew what would come of it he would be soon at a point. With that he sat down and ate bread and butter, and made me eat too, and afterwards wrote to my Lord.

I went then and dined with the steward, my old acquaintance, and most of the brethren, who all said they would be glad to surrender to the King at my Lord's desire, and if he would come thither they would be advised by him. Holford, 2 Nov.

"My Lord, I dare take it on my life and death that Dan Harre Poynys cannot devise such a letter as is sent to your Lordship."

Hol., pp. 2.

2 Nov. R. O. **745.** Calais.

Copy of an indenture of lease made 2 Nov. 1538 by lady Elizabeth Whetehill of Calais, widow, to John Guerardson, husbandman, of the parish of Coln, in the marches of Calais, of her "house place" and 80 acres of meadow in Coln, abutting on the Coln river on the east, the West Common on the south, land of the said lady lately occupied by Peter Bawdel on the west, and a sewer called the Nyewar on the north; for 20 years at 5*l.* a year; lease renewable for ever on payment of "a breakfast of a capon and a stoup of wine" for each renewal.

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3 Nov. R. O. **746.** Wm. Abbot of York to Cromwell.

Has received his letters in favour of Sir George Lawson to be farmer of the cell called St. Martin's beside Richmond. Reminds Cromwell of his former letters for the same cell in favour of Sir Roger Chamlay, recorder of London, to which they attended. Overton, 3 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 Nov. R. O. **747.** Stephen Vaughan to Cromwell.

Was driven yesterday to come to Antwerp to store himself for awhile with money. Came by stealth with only two attendants, but two gentlemen of Spain, captains of towns on the frontier, and familiar with Don Diego, hearing of his arrival, stole upon him at the hour of supper, to express their goodwill to the King. At supper they told him Don Diego had left in post for Spain on Tuesday, and was shortly looked for again. Gathers from his departure and the Queen's staying away from Brussels, that she is not so provided . . . . . as he thought. Antwerp, 3 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Nov. Add. MS. 33,514, f. 3. B. M. Ribier, i. 245. **748.** Castillon to Francis I.

Received on Wednesday, 30th ult., Francis' letter from La Fere sur Oise, 23rd ult., the substance of which he communicated to this King only yesterday, having been put off till after the feasts. Did not forget to recount the fashion of negociating used by M. de Bron, in his so sudden

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departure, and that others heretofore sent had not less strangely conducted themselves. Said upon this all that seemed due to Francis' person and grandeur. At the same time presented Francis' letters, saying that although they would not wait for them, yet Francis would not be so discourteous as not to write when he had been written to. Found him so irritated at the want of respect shown to the said Bron, that he said plainly Bron had done nothing but what he had charged him to do, and that it was too bad to make little account of a king like him; and he recounted the particular incivilities done to Bron and the bad lodging. Assured him that if it was so, it was without Francis' knowledge; but all excuses were useless. He knows (he says) well that they make no great account of him, but that, pardieu! he shall one day be sought after. Answered, Had Francis done anything against the treaties? And was he not ready to listen if anything remained to be adjusted? And was Henry going to mix up private matters with matters of State?

He replied, If anything remained to be adjusted! Francis wished everything to come from him, but it should come from both. Francis would only make an accustomed amity; but he wished to be preferred, and he would also prefer, as would be seen in less than 20 days. Was he going to marry himself and his children without that? Assuredly not: if he and the King had joined they should have been the stronger, and so will he and the Emperor be when they are united. Had he not been so piqued, would have answered "And so also will Francis and the Emperor be, remaining together."——Further conversation in which the King complained of non-payment of his pensions. I assure you he is much pained in all his talk. He awaits the return of a gentleman* he sent to the Emperor about his marriages, in which he does not forget this preference of amity and the duchy of Milan, seeking only to make a quarrel between Francis and the Emperor, as he tried to do in France. Has discussed it with the Emperor's ambassador. If he has another reply than he expects he will look quite desperate. He said they had tried to take the duchess of Milan from him and give her to M. de Vendosme; which, if it could be done, would finish the picture. In spite of his brags at the commencement, he ended by saying that if he thought Francis had nothing to do with Bron's bad treatment he would be less displeased, and asked if Castillon had power to renew and adjust their former alliances. Replied he had, and that if he would deal frankly instead of going round about the pot, things could be readjusted. Thinks, however, his last language is only while awaiting the Emperor's reply.

On entering his chamber found the King had before him a map of the very place where the Armada of the Levant was, and already knew something of what had happened. To judge by his visage he was not displeased. Told the Imperial ambassador he (Castillon) had touched on the matter to show the King that the loss was not so great, and that it only remained for the Emperor to avenge it. Nothing can be done till the return of the reply from Spain. Chelsey by London, 4 Nov. 1538.

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4 Nov. **749.** [Dr.] Richard Thornden, "Warden of the Manors,"† to Cromwell.

R. O. According to your pleasure, known to me by your servant, Mr. Ropere, his cause is known among our convent. Can do him no pleasure without the assent of our prior, who will not show the convent your letter, saying he will answer you at leisure.

* Philip Hoby.

† *i.e.*, the manors of the cathedral priory of Christchurch, Canterbury. *See* Vol. IX., Nos. 686, 828.

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749. [Dr.] Richard Thornden, "Warden of the Manors," to Cromwell —*cont.*

Remember my suit to know the King's pleasure when we shall change "our ymparell"; I must shortly deliver to the convent other sayes for frocks and cowls and cloth for gowns. Since your being at Canterbury many things fall to ruin. Canterbury, 4 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Nov. **750.** Parliament of Scotland.

Acts of the P. of Sc. II. 352.

Holden at Edinburgh, 4 Nov. 1538, by lords Commissioners, viz., Jas. abbot of Newbotle, Walter lord of St. John's, &c. Prorogued to 3 Feb.

4 Nov. **751.** Anthoinette de Bourbon [Duchess of Guise] to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres, MS. II. 21. Adv. Lib. Edin.

I did like a good wife, on Tuesday, going to Uytry* to meet your father, who sent for me. He was accompanied by the Cardinal and his sister returning from the interview with the queen of Hungary. We all met on Wednesday here at Bar, where we found my brother-in-law† a little *degousté*. He is to leave on Monday to see the good old lady their mother, who is very well, and I return to Joinville to look after *mes malades* and prepare a lodging for the Cardinal, who returns thither. Your brother d'Aubmalle came yesterday to see his sister, who is better than she was, "et en sent pleus ses acses que quatre ou sinc heures." Your brother Louys has also the tertian fever, and is very ill. "Pour bonne bouche vous dire (*dirai*) que nostre filz se porte tant bien et est tant en bon point et jolly quy nest posible de pleus." I wish you could see him. Will write soon at length by a messenger she is going to send. Bar, 4 Nov.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

5 Nov. **752.** Castillon to Card. du Bellay.

Dupuy, 33, f. 70. Bib. Nat., Paris.

We are in the worst possible favour with these gentlemen here. They are so provoked at the ill-treatment of Mons. de Bron, both as to entertainment and as to lodging, that there is no hope at present of a firm amity with them. The King has sent a gentleman to the Emperor for an alliance with him, and negociates as badly as possible, both for putting the duchy of Milan in the hands of Don Loys of Portugal, for the marriage of lady Mary, and for a preference of amity between the Emperor and this King against all others. They expect a speedy answer. Late last night he put the marquis of Exeter and the lord Montague in the Tower of London. They belong to the most noble of this kingdom. I know not what will come of it. I do what I can to be sent back, and pray you to help me when you see opportunity. Chelsea by London, 5 Nov. 1538.

Hol., French, p. 1. *From a modern copy made by the Rev. Joseph Stevenson for his own use.*

5 Nov. **753.** Castillon to Montmorency.

Add. MS. 33514, f. 5. B. M. Ribier I. 247.

Is sorry to have to write *tant de fâcheries*. After his packet was closed the Sieur de Bron and one of the brothers‡ of the late queen of England, who went with Bron to France, came to see him. Bron complained (no doubt by this King's advice) that Francis wrote to his master remitting

* Vitry le François in Champagne. † Anthony duke of Lorraine
‡ Sir Thomas Seymour.

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the reply to his whole charge to him, whereas Francis had never said a word to him touching what his master should reply to the Emperor about Milan, in the marriage treaty of Dom Louis of Portugal and Madame Marie of England; and Bron begged that Francis would discharge him to his master, for he was charged with making untrue reports and all sorts of misdemeanours. He so complained of his bad treatment in France that evidently he has forgotten nothing of it in this Court. He complains that MM. de Guise, Rochepot, and Montpezat, whom he often met, avoided him, and wonders the more at M. de Guise, seeing the alliance his master sought with him. He said, too, that when with the queen of Hungary the day he took his leave of the King, she said the Emperor was still ready to do what he sent to tell this King by Hoyet* (Wyatt), his ambassador, when the company was at Nice. The Emperor's ambassador has, however, sworn that there never was any question of Milan. Upon this reply from Spain all will be known.

"*En escrivant ceste lettre ce matin, este adverty que le Roy d'Angleterre fit mettre hier au soir en la Tour de Londres Monsieur le marquis d'Excestre comte Dangier* (sic), *qui est apres les enfans du Roy le plus proche de ceste couronne, et milort de Montagu, Comte, ou fils de la Comtesse, de Salsebery, fille du feu duc de Lanquestre* (sic). *Il y a bien longtemps que ce Roy m'avoit dict qu'il vouloit exterminer ceste maison de Montagu, qui est encore de la Rose Blanche, et de la maison de Polle dont est le Cardinal. Je ne sçay encore qu'on veult faire dudit Marquis; par le premier je vous en advertiray. Il semble qu'il cherche toutes les occasions qu'on peult penser pour se ruyner et destruyre. Je croy que peu de seigneurs sont asseurés en ce pays; je ne croy pas qu'il n'en advienne quelque miquemaque. Je vous advertiray en diligence de ce que j'en entendray.*"

Chelsey near London, 5 Nov. 1538.

French, pp. 2. *The last paragraph in cipher.*

754. The Marquis of Exeter.

R. O. Inventory of goods in my lord marquis of Exeter's place in London, taken by command of the King's Council.

A large quantity of apparel, plate, furniture in the following chambers and repositories:—

In the low seled parlour and little chamber; the low wardrobe; in various standards there; in the chapel and chapel chamber with the closet; my Lord's bedchamber; the chamber next the bedchamber; the chamber over the gate; the great chamber; the hall; "hangings of the gallery with both the ends"; in a little chamber next the higher wardrobe; in the inner wardrobe (insignia of the Garter and "5 peyr of swett glovys"); in a great cap-case; in a little casket; "in a trussyng cofer"; in the inner wardrobe ("two rolls of parchment, the one of the statute of the Garter, [the] other of the arms of the knights of the Garter, and two books of the statute of the Garter," and many other articles, including "one little gilt sword sent to my lord Edward.")† Plate, in a standard there. Other articles in the wardrobe of the beds; in a great chamber; in the next chamber (an old ship coffer full of old writings). In the third chamber a similar coffer of old writings. In an old chamber; in the chambers for saddles, for bows, arrows, and tents, and for harness; in the kitchen.

Mutilated, pp. 15, *including title page.*

R. O. 2. "Offices of the late marquis of Exeter":—
Wiltshire.—The park of Mere.

* Misprinted "Boyet" by Ribier.

† Edward Courteny, earl of Devon, the Marquis's grandfather, who died in 1509.

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754. The Marquis of Exeter—*cont.*

Dorset.—The park of Blakdune, the chace of Cramburn, the parks of Marchewode and Cryclade.

Soms.—The forest of Roche.

Devon.—The forest of Exmore; the stewardship of the stemery (stannary) of Devon and Cornwall.

Cornw.—The constableship of the castle of Restormell and the park thereof.

ii. "Inheritance and purchase":—

Devon and Cornw.—Castle and park of Dartyngtun, park of Colcomb, the two parks of Tyvertune, the great park of Ockentune, park of Chymley, park that he bought of Sir John Dudley, park that he had of lord Dawbeney, and a park in Cornwall.

P. 1. *Endd. as above.*

R. O. 3. Inventories, viz.:—

i. Of the jewels and apparel of the marchioness of Exeter, taken at Horsley, Surr., by Ric. Po[llard], Edmund Pekham, Philip Parris, and John Danaster, the [15?]* Nov 30 Hen. VIII., viz., my Lady's jewels in her own [custo]die (43 items); my Lady's apparel (14 items—among them, 7 gowns and a "night gown" of black velvet).

ii. Of the marquis of Exeter's plate, taken at Horsley 15 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. by the same commissioners: viz., plate left in the cellar, buttery, pantry, ewry, and office of clerk of the kitchen. 84 items, elaborately described.

iii. Of the household and other articles in the porter's lodge, Robt. Daw's chamber, my young lord's chamber, the chamber next to it, the school-house, the chapel, the gentlewomen's chamber, my lady's chamber, the chamber next to it, the chapel chamber, the closet, my lady's closet and the chamber next to it, the great dining chamber, the waiting chamber, Merry's chamber, the ushers' chamber, the great chamber at the stair head, the chamber within the great chamber, the chamber over the parlour, the chamber where Geo. Dawbeney lieth, Mr. Fynez' chamber, Robt. Bound's chamber, Mr. West's chamber, Perry's chamber, the chamber under Mr. Controller, the chamber next unto the cellar, Mr. Nevell's chamber, the Friar's chamber, Chayny's chamber, Harryson's chamber, the baker's chamber, Thos. Smythe's chamber, the lads of the kitchen's chamber, Mr. Stokwith's chamber, Mr. Stephyn's servant's chamber, Chr. Cole's chamber, the ewry, the chamber over it, Bedlem chamber, the chamber at the hall end, Mr. Withal's chamber, the dining parlour, Mr. Stephyn's chamber, the chamber next it, the stable chamber, the gentlemen ushers' chamber, the laundry, the hall pace next the cellar, the joined parlour.

Instruments, a double pair of virginals, one great pair of regalls and 2 small pair, and 9 viols. My Lord's apparel, napery, household provision, kitchen stuff, and wardrobe. Hawks of the tower.

iv. Of the goods of the marquis of Exeter at Coombe beside Kingston, with such horses as he had standing in his stable there, 5 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. Viz.: articles in my Lord's chamber, 6 items; horses, 12, each particularly described.

Pp. 26. *Mutilated and injured by damp.*

755. The Marquis of Exeter's Servants.

R. O. "The names of all the servants which [were] late the lord marques of Exeter, with their wages and fees, their ages and qualities as ensueth." (*The wages each received from the Marquis and their other means are*

* Day lost here by mutilation of the MS.; probably the same day as inventory ii. was taken. But as inventory iv., taken at Kingston, is dated 5 Nov., the day after the Marquis's arrest, the document is placed under that date..

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minutely given and added together, and the total appended to each entry) :—

Gentlemen.—Jasper Horssey, comptroller and keeper of Dartyngton Park; Ant. Hervey, s . . . . ., keeper of Chymley Park, bailiff of Tappishame and keeper of the King's park of Mere (some of his wages shared by Serjeant Rowte); Wm. Dawbeney, aged 48, unmarried, keeper of Chiddenhamholte and of the small game of Blaydon, which is the King's, has annuity of 10*l.* from lord Daubeney; Thos. Gooddolphyn, aged 30, unmarried, "meet and diligent in serving about a noble man with honest and decent qualities," keeper of Restornyll, which is the King's; George Dawbeney, unmarried, aged 47, one of the foresters of Dartmoor, "a well serving gentleman with honest conditions, and also a tall man of stature;" Ric. Buller, aged 30, unmarried, mean stature, honest and understands somewhat the Latin tongue, his friends give him yearly 66*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Seyntelowe, s. and h. to Sir John Seyntelowe, aged 20, married to one of Sir Edw. Baynton's daughters, has of his father 10*l.*; Wm. Perpoynte, aged 20, unmarried, goodly stature, can play well upon sundry instruments, is the lady Marquis' kinsman and at her finding; Charles Tyrrell, brother of John Tyrrell of Essex, aged 18, unmarried, at the lady Marquis' finding; Robt. Taylor, schoolmaster to the young lord Marquis, aged 40, brought up at Oxford, wages 6*l.* 13*s.*; Wm. Turke, secretary to the Marquis, aged 48, married and dwelling beside Dorking, Surr., has five children; Geo. Stokys, aged 49, married and dwelling besides Uxbridge, Midd.; Markys Sleder, aged 30, married, good personage and honest qualities, has of his own lands 40*l.* a year; Thos. Strode, aged 30, unmarried, tall, honest conditions; John Lighe, aged 24, unmarried, a poor (?) man of good conditions, s. and h. of Mr. Lieghe, the King's gentleman usher; Thos. Sparrowe, receiver, aged 56, married, discreet, of good substance, bailiff of Exilond and collector of certain lands in Exeter; John Alford, understeward, aged 52, married, meet and discreet for his office, steward of Kellylonds; Roger Kempsey, auditor, aged 50, married, good honest conditions and serviceable; Thos. Sayntelowe, aged 43, married and dwelling beside West Horseley, Surr., tall personage, shoots well, "with all other honest conditions meet for a gentleman," keeper of Iddesleigh Park and the West Park, has of his own lands during the life of his wife 30*l.* a year.

Gentlewomen.—Constance Bownetayne, aged 50, not married; Marg. Brewne, aged 56, unmarried, poor woman not having many friends; Joan Grasgon, Spaniard, aged 30, not married, good needlewoman and honest; Joan Cotton, 23, not married; Anne Browne, 22, not married, good with the needle, and can play well upon the virginals and lute.

Yeomen and grooms, &c., 103 other servants similarly described. Among the yeomen and grooms of the chamber are Roger Elys, a tall personage who shoots well in a handgun, is bailiff of Canyngdon hundred,* and also bailiff of Wyndeyatts, keeper of the "castle in decay called Stokegursey" and one of the tin bailiffs of Tavistock by reason of the Stannary. Wm. Boothe, who "can sing properly in three-man songs." Two of the four falconers can keep "hawks of the tower" well. The 14 yeomen waiters include Wm. Purye, keeper of Bedewell and receiver of the late priory of Brymore, Hants., who has lands during his wife's life worth 20*l.* a year; John Frye, can play well at all weapons, bailiff of Cornewode and Teverton; Hugh Browne, aged 33, "can play somewhat on divers instruments and his knowledge is to teach men to do things in music which he himself cannot express nor utter, and yet he can perfectly teach it, wherefore he was master of the musicians;" Thos. Wright, 38, can play well with a harp, sing, juggle and "other proper conceits and make

* Cannington hundred, co. Somerset.

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pastetymes;" Thos. Harrys, 30, "luteth and singeth well and playeth cunningly upon the viols and divers other instruments;" several of these are described as good wrestlers. Twenty-six servants are described as keepers of parks, &c., in divers places, with fees paid by the general receiver, but no wages. The last servant named is Wm. Tremayle, the fool. Those who are described as of tall stature are noted in the margin.

Pp. 20. *Slightly mutilated.*

R. O. 2. List of "tall and good serving-men," late servants to the lord Marquis [taken from the preceding list].

Gentlemen:—George Da[wbeney], Wm. Perpoynt, Markes Slader, [Thomas Strode] and Th[os. Sayntelowe].

Yeomen:—22 (named). Each man is briefly described as "a tall young man and can sute (shoot?) and wrestle," and the like.

Pp. 3. *Mutilated and stained.*

5 Nov. **756.** Thos., Prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, to Cromwell.

R. O. Received on Sunday last his letters by his servant Chr. Rooper, asking that Rooper might have the keepership of Westwell Park. The present keeper, Bryan Talbot, has had the room for seven or eight years by the King's letter. Dares not put him out, except by the King's pleasure. Promised long since the reversion of the office to the Master of the Rolls. Otherwise would do his pleasure. Canterbury, Tuesday, 5 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Nov. **757.** Dr. John London to Cromwell.

R. O. Ellis 3 Ser. III. 138. When I received the surrender of the Friars at Warwick, the bearer had felled certain trees in a grove behind the place, having bought them and others from the prior. I inhibited him until he should have declared his bargain before your Lordship. At Warwick he and the other honest inhabitants helped me to save every thing, but the poor people everywhere are so greedy upon these houses, when suppressed, that by night and by day, both from town and country, they do resort as long as any door, window, iron, glass, or loose lead remains. I keep watch as long as I tarry. My servant will be with you this week with such plate as I have yet received; it is of good value and from sundry places brought to Oxford. And now I shall accomplish the rest of the King's pleasure and yours. Oxon, 5 Novembris.

The King has a kitchen building at Warwick Castle. There is a roof of 60 feet long at the Friars which would serve there, and the tile is good.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

5 Nov. **758.** Katharine Bulkeley, Abbess of Godstow, to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. IV. 228. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 229. Burnet, VI. 192. As Cromwell was the means of her promotion, does not mean to surrender her house except at the King's command or his. Hopes she has never offended; but Dr. London, who opposed her promotion and has ever since borne her great malice, has come down upon her with a great rout, saying he has authority to suppress the house. When she allowed him to execute his commission, but declined to surrender to his hand, he tried to inveigle her sisters one by one and treat them in an unexampled fashion; and here he remains to her great cost. Denies his charge that she is a spoiler and waster: has rather increased the goods. Godistow, 5 Nov.

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5 Nov. **759.** PIPWELL ABBEY.

R. O. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in cos. Ntht., Warw., Beds., Leic., Linc., Rutl., Suff., and elswhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 5 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Gyllam, abbot, *and* 13 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 37.]

Rymer, XIV. 626,

Fragment of Seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll. p.* 1, *No.* 48] as acknowledged before Thos Legh, LL.D.

5 Nov. **760.** VICE-CHANCELLOR AND UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Their complaint is now an old one about the decreasing number of *scolastici* and students, although those that remain are believed to make greater progress in a short time and to have greater facilities for learning; which is partly due to the happiness of the times diminishing the labour of study, partly to the perversity of men discouraging access to the universities. Their colleges are not numerous enough to contain a number worthy of a University nor rich enough to support all that they can contain.

Beg Cromwell, therefore, as their chancellor, to move the King that they may have the houses and sites of the Friars for the erection of a new college. The advantage of this—the church of the Franciscans is especially necessary to them—their pro-chancellor whom they have sent to the King and Cromwell will explain. Cambridge, 5 Nov.

Latin, pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal and our Chancellor. *Endd.*

5 Nov. **761.** SIR GEORGE LAWSON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks for your kindness to me and my son, your servant. Where your Lordship wrote to the abbot of St. Mary's in his favour for the farm of the cell of St. Martyn's,—wherein the abbot has made a slender answer,—I beg your favour for your said servant, as I think the abbot dissembles. I wrote to Mr. Gostwyk and my son Peter to move your Lordship that I might have the site of the Friar Augustines in York. It is of small extent, with no ground but a little kitchen garden adjoining the walls of my house. York, 5 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

5 Nov. **762.** ROBERT BOWIS to CROMWELL.

R. O. Requests Cromwell's influence in favour of the bearer George Bowys, his nephew, the head of his house, who is anxious to devote his youth to the King's service. If his manners be too Northern and rude for the King's service, would like Cromwell to take him for a time into his own. Sends with him an ambling gelding for Cromwell. York, 5 Nov.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

5 Nov. **763.** LORD LISLE to CROMWELL.

R. O. When I was with you at Canterbury, it was your pleasure to move me for Paynswike, in which I agreed to do what I might at your request. Since then I have found that my wife has her jointure therein by indenture, of which I send you a copy. I should be very loth to put her from her living, as I have not whereof to make her a like jointure. I have sent her to you, and beg you to be good lord to me, to her, and to my son,* in her suit against the earl of Bridgewater. If some reasonable order is taken, I doubt not that she will be content to conform herself according to your pleasure.

* John Basset.

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Great suit has been made to her for the lands, and like value offered her, by as good assurance as might be devised, and the chamber of London to be bound for the same, with great rewards, all which she has refused. Calais, 5 Nov.

Touching Wykes, a servant of mine who comes over with my wife will show you how it is, trusting you will not drive me further for payment, for, as you know, I am not rich. *Signed.*

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6 Nov. **764.** Cromwell to Dr. [Lee] and William Cavendish.

R. O. They are to repair to the monasteries of St. Oses and Colchester, and dissolve the same, assigning pensions to the persons there, according to the King's commission, and putting the lord Chancellor and the Chancellor of Augmentations each in possession of one of them. London, 6 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Address worn and nearly illegible.*

6 Nov. **765.** The Marchioness of Exeter.

R. O. 6 Nov.—"The lady Marques" examined, confesses that she showed lord Montacute that her husband was admonished by some friends to keep no company with him; she also told him the King had sent to her husband in his house in London for a certain bearward; and that she had heard Sir Edw. Nevill say divers times, and sometimes [sing] merrily, that he trusted this world would amend and that honest men should rule one day, and that she had blamed him for so saying. Sir Edw. Nevill showed her that the King had sent Peter Meotes over sea to slay card. Pole with a hand gun. *Signed:* [Gertrude] Exeter.

9 Nov.—The said lady further says that when her husband went Northwards at the time of the insurrection, Sir Edw. Nevell came to her and said, "Madam, how do you? Be you merry?" She replied, "How can I be merry? My lord is gone to battle, and he will be one of the [foremost]." Sir Edward said again, "Madame, be not afeared of this, nor of the second, but beware of the third." Examinate said again to him, "[Ah] Mr. Nevell, you will never leave your Welsh prophecies, but one day this will turn you to displeasure."

12 Nov.—She further says that she has heard Sir Edward sing in her garden at Horsley that Peter Meotes was gone over seas to kill Card. Pole. She also said she had heard him say many times in the said garden [that he] trusted [knaves should be] put down and lords should reign on[e day]."

Pp. 2. *Mutilated, and injured by damp. Words lost supplied from the copy in No.* 804 iii.

6 Nov. **766.** Sir Geoffrey Pole.

R. O. Examination of Elizabeth Darell, 6 Nov. Confesses that she heard the King had sent Peter Meotes into France to kill cardinal Pole with a hand gun. Cannot remember who told her this; but Sir Geoffrey Pole speaking of it, said to her, "By God's blood, and if he (Meotes) had slain him I would have thrust my dagger [in] him [althou]gh he had [been] at the King's heels."

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6 Nov. **767.** Dr. John London to [Cromwell].

Cleop. E. IV. 227.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 227.

Is now at Godstow to execute the King's commission. My Lady takes his coming pensively, and desires to defer her answer till she know the King's pleasure. Will meanwhile "ripe" himself in the state of the house, and, if the King wishes the surrender taken, hopes she will be favourably dealt with, as she has lately paid her first fruits and was endangered therefor to her friends. Many of the "mynchys" be also aged. My lord of Dover took away the convent seals of many of the friars suppressed and bade them live upon their stock and plate. Where the King is not a founder, has taken a feoffment besides the surrender. Did so by lord Bawdwyn's counsel at Aylesbury. Has sent up all the plate, which, with that delivered to Gostwick, amounts to 1,808½ oz. This is besides the plate of Oxford and the friars of Reading before delivered to Mr. Thacker. Desires capacities for the friars with speed as meanwhile they have no livings, Cromwell's injunctions forbidding any friar to serve a cure. Has sold nothing at Tellisford* Cross Friars beside Warwick for the house stands alone and would have been all spoiled if he had begun a sale before he came again. In the Austin Friars at Hampton† a little before he came the prior divided 30*l.* of plate money among his brethren. Has put the prior in prison for it and got 40*s.* of the money again. Godstow, 6 Nov.

This morning my Lady wholly refers herself to your pleasure; and I beg you to favour her and her sisters. When I am at the Charter house of Coventry, Colme is within three miles.

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6 Nov. **768.** The Council of the North to Cromwell.

R. O.

Report is that the houses of the four orders of friars shall be dissolved. The Council since it was erected has always, when in York, stayed at the dean's house, where there is no garden or open air for them. The Black Friars' house called Toftis, in the city, stands openly and commodiously, and was formerly a palace of the King's progenitors. Beg him to move the King to appoint the house of Toftis to be the habitation of his Council always in the North; and to give them the stone, glass, &c., of the Friars Augustines, in York "standing very cold on the water of Owse without open air saving on the same water which always is very contagious as well in winter as in summer by means of sundry corrupt and common channels, sinkers, and gutters of the said city conveyed under the same," as my lord of Durham can declare; with which material the King could at least cost make a house for the Council, fit to receive the King when he repairs thither.

When the King's lieutenant or his Council repair to Newcastle-upon-Tyne there is no house there meet to receive them but the Friars Augustines, as Norfolk and Durham can report. Beg that it may be similarly appointed for the use of the Council. York, 6 Nov. *Signed:* Robt. Landaffe—T. Magnus—M. Constable—Rauff Ellerker k. jun.—Robert Bowis—Will'm Bathorpe (*sic*)—Robt. Chaloner—Jo. Uvedale.

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6 Nov. **769.** George Abp. of Dublin to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. III. 103.

Omitted to write in his last by Mr. Treasurer's servant that the Observants are in despair and the people's devotion withdrawn from them. Nevertheless the Deputy in his zeal for their religion has given passports to Friar Russell "a lay lewd brother" and another young friar to go to the

* Misread "Tollissopp" in Wright. † Northampton.

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769. GEORGE ABP. OF DUBLIN to CROMWELL—*cont.*

King to sue for the maintenance of their religion; and this in spite of the Master of the Rolls' persuasions to the contrary. So now they expect to win the people's minds back again. Need of master of Faculties or there must always be a multitude of Rome runners; for not 20 in a 100 of the Irishry are legitimate, so they must have licences to take promotions. The Master of the Rolls is the meetest man here to be Chancellor.

The bearer, my servant,* was kept by the lord of Kilmainham 19 weeks in Dublin Castle, for how ponderous a matter he can show. Asks Cromwell to take him into his service. He is a young man of good substance. The bishop the King wrote of, and the friar of Molyngar,† were indicted at Trym "upon premanire (*sic*) which shall not be worth the King's Highness one groat." How that matter was canvassed he knows not, but they are good clerks and might do good service if they could be trusted. Begs a letter to the Barons of the Exchequer here to exempt him from doing homage as he has already done it to the King. Dublin, 6 Nov. *Signed.*

Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[7 Nov.] **770.** SIR GEOFFREY POLE.

R. O. Depositions of Sir Geoffrey Pole on his 3rd, 4th, and 5th examinations. *Signed. See* No. 804.

Corrected draft, pp. 7, *very mutilated and illegible in parts.*

771. THE STATE PRISONERS.

R. O. Questions to be put to Sir Edw. Nevell, Lord Montacute and the marquis of Exeter.

i. SIR EDWARD NEVELL.

(1.) Whether he said to Sir Geoffrey Pole, "I trust this world will amend one day." (2.) Whether he said the like to the lady Marquis at any time, and (3.) upon what ground. (4.) Whether he said to the lady Marquis he trusted honest men should rule one day. (5.) And what he meant by it. (6.) Whether he told her that Peter Meotes was sent over sea to slay cardinal Pole with a hand gun; (7.) and of whom he heard it.

ii. LORD MONTACUTE.

(1.) Whether the lady Marquis told him that her husband was warned by certain friends to keep no company with him; and (2.) that the lord Privy Seal had sent to her husband concerning a certain bearward.

iii. The MARQUIS OF EXETER.

(1.) Whether he told Sir Geoffrey Pole, or any other in his presence, that he misliked the proceedings in the realm and wished for a change. (2.) What conferences he has had with lord Montacute. (3.) And whether they agreed to take one part. (4.) Whether he told lord Montacute that the lord Privy Seal had sent to him "to utter him that showed you of the bearward then being in prison for treason;" and (5.) whether you showed him at the same time you would never disclose anything to the hurt of your friend. (6.) Whether you showed lord Montacute that the lord Privy Seal had sent Mr. Richard Cromwell to you at the King's being at Oking to be frank and plain in certain things. (7.) Whether you told him you were warned by certain friends to avoid his company and desired him to forbear yours. (8.) Whether any letters were sent from the lady your wife [to] lord Montacute and whether she made you privy to their contents. (9.) Whether you showed her that you offered in Council to be bound body for body for the said lord Montacute. (10.)

* His servant John Bowes? *See* Vol. XI. Nos. 1 and 1157 (p. 467).

† *See* No. 658 *note.*

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Whether you said to Sir Geoffrey Pole, holding up and shaking your fist, "Knaves rule about the King. I trust to give them a buffet one day."

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R. O. 2. [In]terrogato[ries to be] ministered to the lord [M]ontagu[e].

"In primis, what was the communication betweex the lord Montague and the Cardinal at their departing, fo. ij^{do} tercia examinatione Galfridi Poole."

* * * (*three items lost*). ". . . . . said Sir Geoffrey . . . . . re to him good mind till she perceived the K[ing favoured] him and then they said this examinate (?) . . . . . and therefore trust him no longer ther . . . . . [Geo]ffray Poole who were they that wold tr[ust] him [n]o longer, fo. iij^{o}, iiij^{ta} examinatione. *Added in Cromwell's hand:* He ans[wereth] the l[ord]e marques [and] the lorde Mowntacue and such as were [of their] opinion."

Item, [to] inquire of the said Sir Geoffrey how and by whom and what time and day he knew the Marquis and lord Montague did not like any doings of the King. *In Cromwell's hand:* "He answery[th] that he hath . . . . everye daye . . . seven yere both . . . the lorde [Marqui]s . . . . . and also by the lord Mowntagews saying (?) [*four more lines very illegible, near the end of which may be read,* " . . . this xij monthe (?) and last Aprile . . . . ."

Item, b . . . . . Morgan . . . . appointed to go over the sea to . . . . . Mutas [or] any other that would kill the C[ardina]ll.

Item, to examine lord Montague what it was that they of the Parliament house did or said for fear, and when Montague and the lord of Huntingdon said so.

* * * (*three items lost*).

"[Item, whe]rin Geoffrey Poo[le mislik]ed the doings of the Re[al]me and liked well [the pro]ceedings of the Cardinal and for what acts . . . . . ent and the day and year."

Item, how he knows the Marquis and Montague were of that opinion, and the day, year, and place. (*The answer is added in Cromwell's hand but is too faded to be read*).

Item, to inquire of Colyns what proceedings of this realm Montague misliked or why he grudged at this world.

"Item . . . . . my lord Montague did . . . . . letters . . . . unto the Kin[g and un]to my [lorde Privy] Seal and delyvered them to Colyns to . . . . . before the delyverie to the King.

"Item, to inquire of Colyns what writinges or letters Colyns delyvered this last Somer (?) to the vicar of Medmen[ham] in a cofre and what was the contents of the same writinges * * *

"Item [to in]quire of Colyns when he . . . . . person . . . . of chaunge of the world . . . . . shuld [h]appen the ladye Marie s[hould succeed] to [the C]rown with [w]hom wh . . . . . had such [commun]ication . . . . . ."

"[Item to] examine Crofts what he meant when he [sai]d that because he never found lord De [la War]e at any time waver in the old opinions h[e spak]e no more thereof to him."

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7 Nov. **772.** The Lord Montague.

R. O. His examination, 7 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

"The lord Montacute confesseth" he received letters from the lady Marquis, saying her husband had offered "in counsayle" to be bound "body for body" for him. The lord Marquis in his own house showed examinate that the lord Privy Seal had sent to know who showed him

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of his servant* that then was in prison, and he had answered he would never disclose his friend if it touched not the King. At the King's late being at the lord Marquis' house, the lord Marquis told him (examinate ?) he had been warned by friends to avoid his company. "He saith also that he hath lived in prison all these six years." Doctor Sterkey told him his brother the Cardinal, then in Flanders, should be brought home quick or dead, "and that Peter Meotes [was gone over sea], and would rid him one way or other." Related this "to [Elizabeth Dar]ell." "His brother Sir [Geoffrey in communica]tion showed him that the keeping of letters m[ight turn a manne]s friend to hurt, and this examinate answered again, Nay they shall hurt no fry[nde] of mine for I have bur[ned all] my letters. He sayeth also upon further examination [that he hath been pre]sent when Sir Edward Nevell hath song [merry songs. And] the lady Marq[uis bein]g also present ha[th willed] hym to st[o]p or s[tay] ther, [but] he sayeth that he never heard Sir Edward Nevell utter a[nything] in those songs other than merry things. He sayeth also that [he was at Hackney] on Sunday last, and there spake with [Mres.] D[a]rell; [Examy]nyd [for whatt] cause he w[ent thither, and] of whatt [things he] then [and there com]-munyd [with her, awnswereth that Sir Anthonie Hungerforde] being of late in the town, and communication being begun between this examinate, the said Sir Anthony and Mres Darrell" touching 100*l.* due to Mrs. Darrell, he then went to show Mrs. Darrell that Sir Anthony was gone from London, and no good could be done therein. Mrs. Darrell showed him "that his brother Sir Geoffrey had almost slain himself, and lamented that act." Has often said he liked not Warblinton, and that he would to God the lord Aburgavenney "had not died, for his son's sake." *Signed:* Henry Mount[agu].

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7 [Nov.] **773.** Lady Lisle to [Lord Lisle].

R. O.

I have had a fair but some somewhat slow passage. I landed this night at 10, and was but once sick all the way, and was merry, and should have been merrier if I had been coming towards you. Also I departed so hastily without taking my leave as I thought you would have been in the boat and brought me to the ship as you said you would.

I began this letter last night, intending to send it you by John Nele, but as it was late there was no provision ready for me; but whilst the supper was dressing, I told John Nele, Markes, John Smythe, and Lame, whom I had at supper, merry tales; and then John Nele promised me to come again in the morning for a token and letter to you. But he left without warning at 3 in the morning, and I fear you will consider it unkindness that I have been negligent in writing to you. The counsel of John Nele did me much ease, and caused us to come to land sooner than we should have done; but by this act he has done me more displeasure than pleasure. Be good to Asheton the gunner, for he is a very honest man and loves you well. Lame had an evil chance, and ran his ship against the pier, but I was out of it at the time. He will take no money of me for the passage, except two crowns for himself, and you are to arrange with his owner. I gave him the two crowns for the damage done to his bowsprit. Dover, 7 Oct.† *Signed.*

Tell Mrs. Mynshaw her son William was not sick all the way. Husey has not yet come. I intend to ride to Sittingbourne tonight, but the weather is boisterous.

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* The bear ward, William Parr. † Certainly an error for November.

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7 Nov. **774.** LADY LISLE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Husey met me at Canterbury, and tells me that my lord Privy Seal is determined to have Paynswick, and he says that you promised him it when you were at Canterbury. If it is so, I might as well have tarried at home, "but only for this matter, as you shall perceive by George Roll's letter." I pray God I lose no more. Husey tells me I cannot lie at Sir Chr. Mores' house but at the house which he first provided. What this means I cannot tell. This journey will be very costly. It has cost me already 40 crowns, and yet I have not paid all my charges, "howbeit 24 of them were gone ere I came from Calais." Canterbury, 7 Nov. *Signed by Lady Lisle, and below by Geo. Roll.*

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7 Nov. **775.** WILLIAM FREURS to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Tuesday last, Dr. London, as commissioner, visited the house at Godstowe, of which, being in the country, I heard not till Wednesday, and in consequence of the colic I am not able to visit you. I beg you will get me a grant of all the demesnes of the late monastery of Godstowe to me and my heirs at a reasonable rate, and send your letters to Dr. London to stay the cattle and corn, and household stuff, with the ploughs and carts unsold, till you know whether I shall have the house and the demesnes; for if so the cattle, &c. is meeter for me than for another man, to be appraised by some indifferent person. If I have it at Dr. London's hands, from old grudges that he owes to me and my wife, I shall pay the uttermost. If I had this house I should save something to help me and my wife. I will give you for your good will 40*l.*, and more as I prosper in it. Oxford, 7 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

7 Nov. **776.** DISAFFECTION IN THE NORTH.

R. O. Confession of Geo. Taylour of Kennyngbale before Ric. Southwell, Rob. Holldytche, John Clere, Edw. Callthroppe, and John Robbesarte. 7 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

That Rob. Mathewe being at the house of —— Craske in Barnyngham, Suff., beside Hopton, Craske asked him whence he came. He said from Lincolnshire, and being asked "What tidings?" said good tidings. Craske then said "My lord of Norfolk made a good stay among you." To which Mathewe replied "that it was my lord of Shrewsbury, for he sent his son among the host and set a stay among them, and that my lord of Norfolk durst not be seen among them; for the which the Northern men did beshrew my lord of Shrewsbury." He said also that the King of Scots had 60,000 good Englishmen, as good fighting men as were in England. *Signed by the Justices.*

ii. The confession of John Taylour, son to the said George, viz.:—that he and Mathewe met between Barneham and Ewston, Suff., and on his asking Mathewe what tidings in Lincolnshire, the latter replied "Never worse; for the country was spoiled and the abbeys pulled down, and many men lost their livings, and they be fled into Scotland, and that the Scottish king had three score thousand of good Englishmen out of the same abbeys, that they were able to make the King's grace of England as great a field as ever he had since England was England, and that before Easter or Christmas, or sooner than men would ween." He also says that at the rising in the North, when Norfolk should have set an unity among them, he durst not show his head, "but cried Peep!," but my lord of Shrewsbury set a stay between the North country and this country, and therefore he did beshrew the earl of Shrewsbury's heart, for and he had not been, my lord of Norfolk had the worst end of the staff."

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iii. The confession of Robt. Mathewe that he came out of Lincolnshire three weeks ago to seek work "and bochercrafte" in Norfolk. Met George Taylor of Kenninghale and his son John between Newmarket and Iklyngham sands, who promised to bring him to a master called Pickering. He went with them to Ewston beside Thetford where they lay that night, and they moved him to be of their company, saying that ere long they would find the means that he should have 40*s.* in his purse and a good gelding to ride on. They said they had stolen a horse and sold it at Ely fair for 8*s.*, and hid the panel and bridle in certain furze. They afterwards came to Gyssing and lay at one Syger's house, having two deaf daughters. Thence they went to Harlyston and lay at the sign of the Pie. They then went to view a poor man's house in Suffolk beside Bungay with a view to rob him, and Robert Mathewe asked his wife whether she had any fat bullocks to sell. This was only to enable them to take a survey of the house that they might break into it. They afterwards went into a wood beside a house where they lay till 11 p.m., and then caused the said Robert to remain in a close while they stole a sheet and certain smocks out of the yard, which they sold at Diss. They then desired Robert to rob the poor man near Bungay on Hallow-mas night; but he refused in order to rid himself from their company.

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7 Nov. **777.** Sir Thos. Wharton to Cromwell.

Calig. B. vii. 233. B. M. St. P. v. 140.

Since he last wrote, received an immediate summons to repair to the Council of the North at Darnton, where he received orders to proceed with Scotland for conservation of peace. On Tuesday the 5th, met with Maxwell "upon the Debateable" to devise for good rule, and next morning, the 6th, at a day of march at Baitting Buske, where the numbers were much like on either side. Have agreed to meet daily for a time. Hearing that John Heron, one of the murderers of Roger Fenveke, was at the said day of march, tried to place bushments between him and Scotland, and opened the matter to Maxwell in presence of the writer's brother, Sir Thos. Curven and Sir Will Musgrave; but Maxwell, seeing that he had a safe conduct from the king of Scots, feared his arrest would create a battle, and Wharton gave it up. One Andrew Bell, a Scotch rebel who was exiled from his country and, unable to live upon the sea, took refuge in France, where it is said Geo. Douglas "did either buy or desire him" and brought him to London, has been committing outrages on the West Marches, in league with Tyndall men. Has commanded the subjects not to resett him. Thinks Cromwell should command Geo. Douglas to call him away. He is a very false Scot.

The queen of Scots is supposed to be with child. The King has ordered Sir Adam Otterburn to be committed to ward in Dumbarton, for intelligence with the Douglases. Sir Jas. Colwell, who was Comptroller, is kept prisoner for his accounts. One Frere Jerom, a learned man, has been taken at Dumfries and lies in irons like to suffer for the Englishmen's opinions; which, however, thank God, are spreading.

Desires Cromwell to favour the petitioners for the lordship of Holme.* Carlisle, 7 Nov. *Signed.*

Add.

Calig. B. vii. 235. B. M.

ii. "The copy of letter sent to the king of Scots from Sir Thomas Whartton."

Is commanded to proceed for redress on the West Marches. On Wednesday 6 Nov., endeavoured to arrest John Heron, Englishman, rebel and traitor who was present at the day of march. Being told he had a Scotch safeconduct, desired that he might be arrested and brought before the Scotch

* *See* Part i., No. 435.

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officer and himself; and a warden serjeant had his fee to arrest him, but he escaped. Begs the King will direct his letters to the lord Maxwell to have him surrendered. Carlisle, 7 Nov.

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778. [Lord Lisle] to Mr. Palmer.

R. O. Master Palmer, commend me to Mr Wriothesley, and say I long to hear from him. I have word out of England that he shall come home shortly. I have no news but what he knows already, *i.e.*, that my lord marquis of Exeter and lord Montague are in the Tower, and Sir Edward Nevell has since been put in the Tower. "I dare write of no more as yet." My wife is gone to England to defend the right of my son Basset in certain inheritance, wherein the lord of Bruggewater will do him wrong. One Mahiew de Blekk, Fleming, during the last war between the Emperor and French king, brought horses here and sold them to me and the men-at-arms and other the King's subjects, but not to Frenchmen. For this, as contrary to the Emperor's ordinance against conveying horses out of Flanders, he is imprisoned at Casselbergh and like to be hanged. As Mahiew is my friend, I beg you sue to the Lady Regent for his pardon and send it hither with speed. You shall be rewarded.

Copy, pp. 2, *in the hand of Lisle's clerk.*

8 Nov. **779.** Lord Montague and the Exeter Family.

R. O. "The 8th of November anno regni Regis 30.

"George Tyrell, servant to the lord Montacute, with whom he has dwelled these iij years last past, being examined, sayeth that within fortnight after his coming to the said lord Montacute about Christmas shall be iij year, he was sent by him with letters to the lad[y] marquis of Exeter th[en b]eing at Horsley, th[e contents of the] which letters were, as he [perceived] by thanswer [of the sa]yd lady and not otherwise, was to know how [the lord]e Marquis did at that time and what ho[pe was of] his recovery. [An]d the said [lady] wrote at that time letters [to the lord] Montacute again, declari[ng in] th[e] sa[me] that she almost [despaired o]f her husband's [recovery, he was so sick.] And [other] message he sayeth at [that time he carried] not nor receiv[ed]. He sayeth also that at Candlemas th[en ne]xt following he was sent with [ot]her letters to the lady Marquis again for the same purpose. At which time the said lady said to this deponent 'Commend me to my lord your Master [an]d [bid] him [be o]f good comfort, for my husb[and] is well reco[vered, thanks be to Go]d.' And at that time the said la[dy] wrote letters to [t]he [lord Montacu]te by this examinate, but he know[eth] nothing of the con[tents of] them otherwise than [he hath] spok[en] be[fore]. He s[aith also] that at [summer] then [next foll]owing he w[as] sent in message [to] the lord Marquis to know of [the time w]hen the [King] would be with him, and carried to his master answer [that within] xiiij da[ys] then next following. He sayeth further that a[t Michaelmas] was ij years he was sent again w[ith] letters to the lo[rd Ma]rquis and to the lady Marquis also, then being at Horsley, but he knoweth nothing of the contents of them, saving that the lord Montacute then certified the lord Marquis that he would ride in to Leicestershire to th'earl of Huntingdon, and at that time he had no letters again. He carried also other l[etter]s from his master to the lady Marquis at Candlemas then next [fo]llowing, other at East[er next,] other at Midsummer, and other at Easter last past, and never more to his [remembr]rance; and at ever[y] time brought answer again in writing; but he sayeth of his faith and allegiance he never knew [any] contents of any of the said letters. Examined what communication hath been at the delivery of any the said letters, answereth, None to him but

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generally to give commendations and to deliver the letters. He sayeth also that he never spake with the lord Marquis in his li[fe ab]ove i[ij tim]es." *Signed:* By me, George Tyrell.

"An[d up]on further [examin]ation what communi[cation] he hath at (?) . . . . . [he]rd between the la[dy] of Salysbe[ry and the lord] Montacute at divers suppers or [any other ti]me answereth, None; for he sayeth when the said lord Montacute was [with]* the lady his mother none of his servants saving one boy waited at the table, and at other times he hath heard [no communic]at[ion betw]een them, for neither he nor [any of his fellows came] where she was." *Signed.*

Much mutilated and injured by damp. Words lost supplied from Nos. 830 (2 v.) *and* 831 vii.

8 Nov. R. O. **780.** LADY LISLE to LORD LISLE.

I am sorry that John Nelle left yesterday without my letters. I met Husee at Canterbury, who tells me that Sir Chr. Morys has no room in his house for me because Mr. Long of the Privy Chamber is sick there, and Mr. Turwytt. I must be satisfied therefore with the lodgings at one Archer's house near Sir Brian Tuke's in Lothbury. There is no news to be written but such as you have already. Very anxious to return. Canterbury, 8 Nov.

I remember the words the King spoke to you at your last being here; and be not miscontent that I urge you "when you shall hear of these you will utter them to no creature," for "Calais people are not all one men's childer." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

8 Nov. R. O. **781.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

Has applied to Sir Chr. Morys for my Lady's lodging. He is sorry he has no place for her, as Mr. Long of the Privy Chamber lieth sick there, and also Mr. Turwytt. She is content with the lodgings I have prepared for her. My lord Privy Seal says that you shall certainly have the Friars, and not Mr. Porter, and he hopes to obtain your annuity for 400*l.* Now my Lady is here she may settle about Paynswick with him, and she can speak with my lord Admiral respecting Porchester and the forest.† He will have nothing to do with Soberton, and indeed it is meet only for the heir, for when the indentures come to light it will be seen that the interest is but during Bonham's wife's life, who is within age and has no children. I will deliver your letters to my lord Privy Seal and declare the contents. Bearer will give the news. Canterbury, 8 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

8 Nov. R. O. Rymer XIV. 627. **782.** BARNWELL PRIORY.

Surrender of the monastery with all its possessions in cos. Camb., Essex, Hunts., Suff., Norf., Midd., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 8 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Badcoke, prior, *and six others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 9.]

Half Seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 43] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

* Word apparently omitted. † Of Bere.

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8 Nov. **783.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. This bearer, Mr. Pakyngton, having certain causes with your Lordship, I beg your favour for him. Remember to learn of him the naughty fashions that have been used, and partly yet be in North Wales, by the officers there, which he has redressed this year :— all because the sheriff is not removeable, but continually enforcing his purposes. If the other shires be like, they be utterly beggared ; and yet many be evil allotted as Notheway, Gutrykes, and Hauwarden. 8 Nov., at Scroysbury.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Nov. **784.** Lord Lisle to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Sent her a letter by Hugh, master Porter's servant. Desires to have the two parks* by lease, which should be a good neighbour to Umberley, and we should be provided with beef and venison. She is to remember his lands in Cornwall and Devonshire held by the marquis of Exeter, that in default of payment they may enter upon them ; "but where the intentors (*indentures*) be," unless at Subberton, does not know. Calais, 8 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

9 Nov. **785.** Exeter Cathedral.

See Grants in November, No. 14.

[9 Nov.]† **786.** Sir Thos. Wyatt to Henry VIII.

Add. MS. 5,498 f. 6 b B. M. Advertises receipt of instructions by Philip Hoby, who arrived here on the 25th inst. (ult.?) On All Saints' day, at night, we had access to the Emperor. Hoby will report at his coming his Majesty's thankful taking of your friendly admonishments, "his participating with us of the state and terms that he standeth in for the surety of his succession," and other occurrents. These men are something long in resolving, owing to Wyatt's sticking still for the state of Milan. Writes only to warn the King of the sum that is to be hoped for at their hands ; "and this despatch I steal without their knowledge," not pressing Hoby's despatch too much, that your Highness may be the better prepared "for that that shall come from them after."

1. Ye shall not fail of ready conclusion for the duchess of Milan if you desire it. The particulars will not be much stricter or larger than you already know, and it will take effect the sooner if you defer the title of the elder sister‡ till after the conclusion of the principal, when it will come the more easily "if your Highness have fantasie thereunto," for the Emperor will always do his best. Has conferred on this with the bp. of London (Lunden), "which is a great wise man, and he that hath only followed the part of the said Duchess' father since his adversity, and he hath yet in Denmark great intelligence, and now goeth to the king of Romans. He maketh the thing easy, and is an earnest servant of his master's children and as good a papist as I; and he sheweth me also that the elder sister hath no children. Of the assurance of her dower in Milan the queen of Hungary is already instructed to the bottom."

2. "For the Infant of Portingal I see none appearance of the state of Milan. The occasion is past and they seem to lament it." The reasons are the same Wyatt gave in his letters by Mr. Mason. They would gladly

* Chedam Holt and Ockyngton in No. 798.

† *See* the King's letter in answer to this written on the 28 Nov.

‡ The Countess Palatine.

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treat in that matter and lay Milan apart—not that I think the French will get it in any case, but the giving it to the Infant would provoke them, and "let this enterprise." And though Wyatt sticks stiffly for Milan, alleging promises, &c., yet he sees that if Henry would treat without it they would think little of 100,000 cr. dote. They do what they can to learn how large the dote shall be and Wyatt counterworks that by inquiring of the dower, "and that that shall be left to the succession." Yet if the King could give the Infant estate of 30,000 or 35,000 cr. a year in his realm, "me think they would make him an Englishman." If he could let them know on what points the King would treat, doubts not he could get Covos or Granvela, or at least the queen of Hungary, to come to Calais and meet the King, and the Infant also. Would like speedy instructions on these points.

Gives his own poor opinion. Does not see what Henry can gain by accepting Milan for his son-in-law, except "to set these princes in terms as they were afore." It will be a continual expense. The only disadvantage of leaving it is the loss of an opportunity of vexing the state of Rome. Yet after a little holding the Frenchmen in suspense the Emperor will be fain to give it to the Infant and then it will be less expensive to Henry. On the other point, sees no inconvenience in giving him an estate in England. In fact it will be a great advantage, for Henry will spend no money "neither for the one to marry nor the other;" also the revenues of the estate will be spent in England, and his own besides. Henry can easily bear the diminution of his own revenue; "and it shall be to your own and them that come of you whom your Majesty in your age shall see about you." And however Mary's succession be limited "they shall be natural born within your realm that shall come of her." Sees no great expense Henry will run in treating unless it happen "that for withholding of your pension they would treat for reciproque for aid of defence of Flanders, which me thinketh not much unreasonable." At Toledo.

Pp. 4. *Later copy.*

9 Nov. **787.** Card. Pole to Marcus Monk of St. Justin.

Poli Epp. II. 137.

Consolation received from his letters. Begs him to continue them, and so do Aloysius, Federicus, Lombardus, and Bernardinus, who are here with Pole. Salutes Bernardinus Presbyter, and Benedictus Ferrariensis. Rome, 9 Nov. 1538.

Latin.

10 Nov. **788.** London, White Friars.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 609.

Surrender of the house and all its possessions in London and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 10 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Bachelor John Gybbys, prior, Thos. Lemster, "sacre pagine bach.," *and* 11 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 29.]

Good seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *No.* 54] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

10 Nov. **789.** Leicester, Austin Friars.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 627.

Surrender (by Ric. Preston, prior, &c.) of the house and all its possessions in co. Leic. and elsewhere in England. 10 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Preston, prior, Ric. Holmes, sub-prior, *and two others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 27.]

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 50] as acknowledged, 13 Nov., before Thos. Katelyn and other the King's Commissioners.

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10 Nov. **790.** Leicester, Black Friars.

R. O. Surrender of the house with all its possessions in co. Leic. and elsewhere in England. 10 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ralph Burrell, prior, S.T.D., Wm. Kopkyn, sub-prior, *and eight others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 27.]

Rymer XIV. 621.

Seal good.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 51] as acknowledged, 13 Nov., before Thos. Katelyn and other the King's Commissioners.

10 Nov. **791.** Leicester, Grey Friars.

R. O. Surrender of the house and all its possessions in co. Leic. and elsewhere in England. 10 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Gylys, warden, Simon Harmer, "lector," *and five others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 27.]

Rymer XIV. 627.

Seal good.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 1, *No.* 49] as acknowledged, 13 Nov., before Thos. Katelyn and other the King's Commissioners.

10 Nov. **792.** W. Earl of Southampton to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter, dated Calais, the 4th inst., desiring my leave to give a gunner's room of 6*d.* a day to Simon Lichelladd. I should be glad to gratify you, but have no authority in this matter, and must leave it to your discretion. Westminster, 10 Nov.

Added in his own hand: "If ther be ane theng in thys world that I may do yow plesser in, not offendeng my consehens and my deute to my pryns, call me thow falsest man lyfheng if I do it not for yow." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Deputy of Calais.

10 Nov. **793.** Charles du Broyard to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I have received your letter concerning the discharge of Mahieu Maes for selling horses to the French during the last war, saying that he only sold one to you and the rest to other Englishmen. However this may be, he transgressed the Emperor's orders not to export horses during the war. I beg you therefore not to write in his favour. Cassel, 10 Nov. xxxviii.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Under the signature is written by an English hand:* Louys de Renke, vice bailly of Cassel.

10 Nov. **794.** Aguilar to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,590 f. 259. B. M. Wrote on the 2d. The agreement against the Turk was signed next day. Describes the coming of the duchess [of Florence] to Rome that day, her reception by the Pope, the ratification of her marriage contract, &c. The Pope would like it consummated about Christmas.

The Venetians will allow the Spaniards Corfu for winter quarters, if they cannot take Durazzo, or some other place from the enemy.

The French ambassador, M. de Griñan, who has just arrived, tells him the king of England sent to make an alliance with the French king for war against the Emperor; but Francis replied he had much desired the Emperor's amity and would keep it as long as he could, and he counselled him (Henry) to return to the obedience of the Church. Griñan has said the same to the Pope; whom he also assured that Francis would join the enterprise against the Turk on the expiration of his truce with Solyman a few months hence. He, however, thought the house should first be swept clean, *i.e.*, that the king of England and the Lutherans should first be brought back to the Faith.

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This remark being referred to afterwards in a conversation with the Pope, Aguilar said it was no doubt true, but the Turk was the more pressing danger.

Has, while writing, received the Emperor's letter of the 20th ult. about Lope de Hurtado and the Duchess, to which he has no more to say as the Emperor holds the former excused. The duke of Ferrara. Two Flemish ecclesiastical promotions. Card. of Naples and Card. Jacobacci.

The viceroy of Naples writes on the 9th that Barbarossa was in the Channel of Corfu, with the whole Turkish fleet, and had done damage at La Paraga and Chafalonia, had taken ships, &c. News from Venice just come that the Spaniards took Castelnuovo by assault on the 26th ult. Rome, 10 Nov. 1538.

P.S. Proposed marriage of the daughter of the duke of Castro and the son of M. de Vendôme.*

Spanish pp. 17. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar*, VI. i. No. 23.]

11 Nov. **795.** SIR GEOFFREY POLE.

R. O. Original record of the sixth and seventh examinations of Sir Geoffrey Pole. *Signed by him. See* No. 804.

Pp. 4. *Mutilated and faded.*

11 Nov. **796.** DAME CONSTANCE POLE.

R. O. Examination of Dame Constance, wife of Sir Geoff. Pole, 11 Nov. Says that between [Whi]tsuntide and M[idsummer] last she received a [ring] for a token by Colyns, a priest belonging to lord [Mont]acute, whom, upon that token, she brought to her husband's closet where he burned five or six letters the contents of which she knows not. Colyns at the same time told her that her husband would [be] at Luftington the day following; but he was not, for both he and lord Montacute [went] together to London. She says also that since her husband's imprisonment, speaking with lord Montacute of how it was said he was in a frenzy and might utter rash things, he remarked, "It forceth not what a madman [speaketh]." Says also that at such times as lord Montacute came to Luftington he was accustomed to walk abroad, in ch[urch]es and other places adjoining, with her husband, but of their communications she knoweth nothing. She says also she has heard lord Montacute say he liked not the air of Warblington; also that lord Montacute and her husband "lying one time [at] night at Luftington, they both rode together on the m[orn]ing to a place called Raughey besides Horsham, in Sussex, where at that time lay the lord Stafford," but to what intent she knows not.

P. 1. *Mutilated and illegible. Endd.:* The lady Pole, Sir Geoffrey Pole's wife.—*See another copy in* No. 830 (2 iii.) *from which some of the mutilations have been supplied.*

11 Nov. **797.** HUGH HOLLAND.

R. O. The examination of Hugh Holland, taken 3 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

Hugh Holland, late of the parish of Warblington, Hants, says that in the beginning of summer was three or four years, he, Sir Geoffrey Pole, and the vicar of Est Mayn, with their servants, went together into the Isle of Wight, and when at sea the vicar said to him, "This is a good weather to go to the seas. I would gladly go to Amyas. How sayest thou, Hugh? Dost thou know the way?" He said, "Yea," and the vicar said "Will you go with me?" Said he would if his master, Sir Geoffrey Pole, would give him leave.

* Anthony, son of the late duke Charles, who was really Duke himself at this time, his father having died in March 1537.

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"I warrant you he will," said the vicar; and after returning, Sir Geoff. Pole at his own house asked this examinate whether he would go with the vicar of Est Mayn over sea or not. Replied that he would go if he bade him. "Yes," said Sir Geoffrey, "I will desire you and [com]mand you too; for he will go to Amyas and I think to Paris, to study there, and will tarry at Paris and not return with you. But that is no matter to you: whether he tarry there or come again he shall honestly recompense you." On this, at the end of the summer examinate hired a French ship, and at Portsmouth shipped the said vicar with his servant, Henry Pyning, two horses, and 36*l.* in money, besides goods of his own, and landed at Newhaven. Then went in company with the vicar to Paris, and there left him in company of two English scholars named Reynolds and Bucklar. Being asked what communication he had with the vicar by the way, says the vicar told him he was glad he was over sea, for if he had tarried in England he feared he should have been put to death, for he considered the ordinances of England were against God's law. He said he had departed secretly, partly because my lady of Salisbury would not give him leave, partly because his mother, if she had known it, would have been much grieved. Being asked whether the said vicar at that going over wrote letters or sent messages to anyone in England, replies that he sent from Newhaven letters by a Frenchman to Mr. G. Pole, but examinate does not know the contents. After deponent's return he told the said Sir Geoffrey how he had brought the vicar to Paris; for which Sir Geoffrey thanked him and promised he should not lack while he lived. Also, after the fruits of the vicar's benefices* were sequestrated, Sir Geoffrey sent for him and promised him 40*s.* to carry letters to him to Paris; which he did and brought others home from the said vicar to Sir William Paulet, then Comptroller, Dr. Stuarde, Chancellor to the bp. of Winchester, and to Sir Geoffrey Pole, and a little writing to the vicar's brother-in-law, John Fowell of Warbington (*sic*), to whom he delivered also all the other letters to be conveyed to those men they were sent to. After this, about Easter was two years, this examinate having business of his own at Antwerp, the said John Fowell went with him, and they both went together to Louvain, where the said vicar then was; but he carried no letters or message to or from him, and whether Fowell carried any he knows not. Fowell has since been twice over sea with the said vicar, sent on one occasion about this time twelve months by Mr. Pole, but for what cause he knows not, except that he said he was sent to learn whether the vicar had any letters to send to England. The vicar was at that time gone from Louvain—to cardinal Pole, as examinate thinks. Another time, Sir William Paulet sent the said Fowell to Louvain for a certificate from the University of his being there, to the intent that the sequestration might be released. Further, after Easter was twelve months, hearing that wheat sold well in Flanders, deponent loaded a ship with wheat to go thither, when Sir Geoff. Pole sent for him and said, "I hear say you intend to go into Flanders. [My] brother, I hear say, is in those parts. Will you [do] me an errand unto him?" Deponent agreed, and Sir Geoffrey said to him, "I pray you commend me to my brother and show him I would I were with him, and will come to him if he will have me; for show him the world in England waxeth all crooked, God's law is turned upso-down, abbeys and churches overthrown, and he is taken for a traitor; and I think they will cast down parish churches and all at the last. And because he shall trust you, show him this token, and show him also that Mr. Wilson and Powell be in the Tower yet, and show him further that there be sent from England daily to destroy him, and that much money would be given for his head, and that the lord Privy Seal said openly in the Court that he, speaking of the said Cardinal, should destroy himself well enough, and that Mr. Brian and Peter Meotes was sent into France to

* Warblington and East Meon in Hampshire.

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kill him with a hand-gun or otherwise as they should see best." He further says that the day before he departed Sir Geoffrey sent for him and met with him upon Portsdown, and said, "How sayest thou, Hugh, if I go over with thee myself and see that good fellow?" meaning his brother the Cardinal. Replied, "Nay, Sir, my ship is fully loaded, and the mariners be not meet for this purpose." "Well," said Sir Geoffrey, "then I pray you remember what I have said unto you and fare you well." After this he passed the seas and sold his wheat at Nieuport, and from thence went to Cambray; and because cardinal Pole had gone thence to an abbey called Anno, 40 English miles beyond Cambray, he took his journey thither, where he met one Throkmarton, servant to the Cardinal, who asked if he came from England. Replied, Yes. "From the King?" asked Throkmarton. He answered, "No." "From my lady of Salisbury?" "No," said this examinate, "I came from Sir Geoffrey Pole." Throkmarton then went up into the abbey and told the Cardinal, who after mass sent for deponent into the church, where he delivered his message to him. The Cardinal then said, "And would my lord Privy Seal so fain kill me? Well, I trust it shall not lie in his power. The King is not contented to bear me malice himself, but provoketh other against me, and hath written to the French king that he should not receive me as cardinal or legate; but yet I was received into Paris better than some men would." He said he knew that Mr. Brian and Peter Meotes had been sent for that purpose, but he trusted it should not lie in their powers. He asked examinate of those bishops in England who were named honest men. Answered that the bishops of London and Durham were so named. "Nay," said the Cardinal; "the bishop of London, I think, is an honest man, but the bishop of Durham is none." Being asked why he thought them honest, he said because he saw his master, Sir Geoffrey, often resorting to them to dinners and suppers. The Cardinal afterwards said, "Commend me to my lady my mother by the same token that she and I looking upon a wall togethers read this, *Spes mea in Deo est,* and desire her blessing for me. I trust she will be glad of mine also; and if I wist that she were of the opinion that other bee ther, mother as she is myn, I wold treade uppon h[er] with my feete. Commend me to my lord my brother by this token, *In Domino confido,* and to my brother Sir Geoffrey, and bid him meddle little and let all things alone." Had no other message to or from the said Cardinal to anyone. If any other thing come to his remembrance will not fail to open it. Being asked what message he had from any other about the said Cardinal, answers that Throkmarton desired his commendations to the lord Montacute by the token that they had communed together at his last being in England in a place which he now remembers not, and bade him be contented till his coming into England. Further, he says that on coming home he delivered all the messages to Sir Geoffrey Pole and showed nothing to lady Salisbury or lord Montacute, because Sir Geoffrey told him not to do so; for he said his brother, lord Montacute, was out of his mind, and would show all to the lord Privy Seal. He further says that since that time, especially before the King's coming into Sussex, Sir Geoffrey often pressed him to go over sea again and to take him with him, for he doubted not they should both live merrily there, and if he could but come to the bp. of Luke he should have money enough, and he trusted once to kiss the Pope's feet, and he made many large promises to this examinate, but he always refused to go. *Signed:* Hou Hallond.

Holland afterwards said that about 12 months past he showed lord Montacute that Sir Geoff. Pole was very desirous to go over sea, and he marvelled much what he meant by it. "Marry," said the lord Montacute, "I charge you meddle not with that in any case." Being asked on what occasion he so conversed with lord Montacute; says he brought a pair of knives from a servant of the Cardinal's to John Walker, which were delivered him at Antwerp; and Montacute hearing of it communed with him of it. On which

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occasion he showed him as above, but told him nothing of his communication with the Cardinal. *Signed.*

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Says he brought home letters from the vicar of Est Mayn containing a little "skroe," intimating that if Sir Geoffrey Pole* would convey any letters to him he might deliver them to one Monteys, servant with the Emperor's ambassador. He says also that because Sir Geoffrey, a little before the King's coming into Sussex, was very importunate with this examinate to go over sea, he showed it to Thos. Standish, servant to my lady of Salisbury, praying him to inform lord Montacute, telling Standish at the same time that he had been with cardinal Pole, and that the said Sir Geoffrey showed him at such times as he stirred this examinate to go over seas that lord Montacute would as fain be over as he. *Signed.*

Pp. 7. *Faded and slightly mutilated.*

R. O. 2. Copy of the preceding. *Some passages underlined, with marginal notes in Ric. Pollard's hand.*

Pp. 11. *Mutilated.*

R. O. 3. Further examination of Hugh Holland.

Hugh Holland, on further examination, says that when he came from beyond sea after having spoken with cardinal Poole, one Babham, steward to the lady of Salisbury, came to this examinate's house at Warblington and said 'What, Hugh! have you spoken with that traitor my Lady's son?' Answered 'Nay.' Then said Babham, 'You have spoken with some of his servants.' 'Yea,' said this examinate, 'I have spoken with Throkmerton.' 'Marry,' said Babham, 'I advise you keep that secret; it may hap to cost you your life else.' *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.* Holland's last examination.

R. O. 4. Articles against Hugh Holland.

He had communication with Sir Geoffrey Pole at Lurdyngton, Sussex, knowing the said Geoffrey and "the said" John Helyard to be traitors. At Sir Geoffrey's request he conveyed Helyard over sea and took money for doing so, and said afterwards to Sir Geoffrey "I have brought the vicar of Est Meane with his servant Henry Pynyng, two horses and 36*l.* in money to Paris." He promised Sir Geoffrey to do errands to his brother, cardinal Pole, being traitor beyond the sea, and show him the King's acts and secrets of the realm, and carried a message in these words, "Commend me to my brother the cardinal Pole, and show him I would I were with him, and I will come to him if he will have me. And show him the world in England waxeth all crooked, God's law is turned upso down," &c., warning him also that men were daily sent from England to destroy him. Afterwards, at Lurdyngton, Holland, received traitorous letters from Helyard and delivered them to Sir Geoffrey.

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11 Nov. **798.** Lord Lisle to [Lady Lisle].

R. O. "Mine own sweetheart," I never thought so long for you, for I never sleep after two of the clock. As to your saying that my lord Privy Seal is bent according to my promise to have Paynswike, I told him it was your jointure, and trusted you would be ruled by me. He will see that you are no loser, but I leave it to your discretion. You have also the covenants between me and Sir John Dudley, "and after our deceases to have 1,000*l.* for the performance of my will." As to your saying you might as well have staid at home but for George Roll's letter enclosed to me in Hussey's, I have never received it. I do not know why Sir Chr. Morris will not lodge

* Name substituted for John Fowell.

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you, but it is good to prove a man's friend. My receiver and yours will bring you money. I want none till you come, trusting you will bring 1,000*l.* with you. If you wish all my plate you shall have it. Send me a velvet night cap and a cloth cap. I never longed so much for any one, since I knew a woman. Calais, 11 Nov.

Remember Gynys if you hear any cause. Chedam Holt and Ockyngton will be two good neighbours for Umberle if ye can get them in fee farm."

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11 Nov. **799.** Card. Contarini to Card. Pole.

Poli Epp. II. 141.

Although the day after tomorrow we return to Rome, yet to describe our life and not let this servant of the Venetian ambassador go without letters to you, I write these few lines. Four days ago before sundown, reached Raspatum, the weather being unpleasant with a north wind blowing. Next day we went together to a town which they say was a dwelling place of Lucullus; for Raspatum beyond doubt was his town. There are still traces of a tomb which the inhabitants call Licollum. Yesterday we came hither through the midst of the plain. By the way, our good old man (*i.e.*, the Pope) took me apart and spoke to me *de reformatione compositionum*, saying he had read in the early morning a little tract which I had written (I have hitherto not mentioned it to you, because I almost was in despair and thought what had been done should rather have been hid than produced); and discussed the matter with me in such a Christian way that again I have conceived great hope that it will do good, and that the gates of Hell shall not prevail against the spirit of the Lord. If you think fit, tell the cardinal of Chieti and the master of the Sacred Palace, and let them keep the thing to themselves. "Vale, cum Priolo ac reliqua familia, in Domino." Ex Ostiis Tiberinis, 11 Nov. 1538.

Latin.

800. [Sir Geoffrey Pole's Statement.]

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"And fyrst . . . . . .
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put a innocent to dethe.

"Item, he sayd that the King's Grace . . . . . that h[e wou]ld gyve all England . . . . . kepyng the trew y . . . . . the lord Monta[gue] . . . . . promyse worshipfully . . . . . xx . . . . . he forsoke hys wyff and made hys i[ssue that h] e had by her bastard & so yn h[er ly]ff tyme the Kyng marryd a harlot & a heretyke & kyllyd his good wyff with unkindness."

Item, he sayd he helped his brother Reynold to depart the realm that he might not aid the King's purpose in forsaking his wife.

"Item, he sayd that all princes cristen hathe the Kyng yn mockage for so handelyng the mattar that when he had spent great somis off money & saw trowth ayenst . . . . . cyon off the chyrc[h w]hyche . . . . . he have done with losse cost . . . . . .

". . . . . well worthy off more . . . . . e
so nawghty a woman . . . . . kyng but was the . . . . . .
. . body & the disci . . . . . man & fynall . . . . .

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. . . . . reall . . . . . subvertyng [G]ods law & [m]ans law contrary to all ryght and [e]quyte.

"[Item, he s]ayd it was not mattar of concyence b . . . . . he love to forsake . . . ew wyff & to . . . . . ne to forsake a . . . . . & ta . . . . . heretyk.

"Item, he sayd it w . . . ot . r . . ryly . . . . . to tro . the to extynct the po[pe's powe]re but [wilfu]llnes to have ill lyberty to do [what] hym lyst.

"Item, he sayd that afor th[e Ky]ngs my[nd] was set upon devorse off the good quene & not [ca]tched yn the snare off unlawfull love with the lady Ane, the Kyng cowld byd well ynowghe the auctoryte off the Pope thowgh he myslykyd hys abuses.

"Item, he seyd because the Pope wold not grawnt to the incestuose mariage the Kyng forsoke hys auctority with all hys good uses & abuses.

"Item, he sayd that al wyse vertuos[e & g]ood men & faythfull ware ayenst the [King's] purposes [both] off hys unlawfull mariage & al[so the] forsaky[ng] off the auctoryte off the Pope.

"Item, he seyd that knaves and heretycks and smatterers off lerny[ng] ware the Kyngs assisters in bothe thes unlawfull enterprises.

"Item, he seyd the [sam]e knaves [de]vyse [by l]aw to kyll & slaye as m[any] as wol . . . . . [a]yen saye the Kyngs [pur]pose . . . . . yg . hat . . . . . hat they cowld [nei]ther by reason nor equyte.

"Item, he sayd that comen knowen kn[aves g]even to all mysheff, settyng at nowght bothe Go[d and D]evyll, open rybawlds, [w]ar avanced & good m[en and ver]tuose m[en] . . . . . choppyng off hedds.

"Item, [he sayd th]e Turke was more ch . . . . . h . . . . su . . . . . [t]hen the Kyng beyng a cristen prince.

"Item, h[e sa]yd that the Kyng and Cromwell ware bo[the] off on nature, & what becam of the nobyltye off the hole realme they cared not so they myght lyve themselffs at ther owne pleasor.

"Item, he seyd that thoughe the Kyng gloryed with the tytylle to be Supreme Hede next God, yet he had a sore lege that no pore man wold be glad off, and that he shold not lyve long for all his auctoryte next God.

"Item, he shewed me at Bockmar that he dremyd the Kyng was dede. "And now," quoth he, "we shall see some rufflyng & byd Mr. Cromwell good deane with all hys devyses.

"Item, he say[d thou]ghe we have a prince yet th . . . begyld for the Kyng [and] hys [whole i]ssue s[tan]d accursyd.

"Item, he sayd when . . . . . was taken and all thyn[gs] peasyd, thowghe the Kyng thow[ght him]selff then sewre yet ther wold come, anoth[er] . . . . . that wold p . . . . . & . . . . . yse cownsellors (?).

"Item, ... had . . . . . manly sto . . . . they were now . . . . . [confo]rmable to hys wyll . . . . . d on day leve the [realm] alone & lyve beyond the seas, saying wher be y[ou then ?].

"[Item, he sayd] that hym selff thowg[ht] that all the R[ealm] . . . . . well apayd to be o . . . . . a . . . . . .

"I[tem, he sayd t]he Kyngs Grace told h . . . . . of Scotts whyche kyllyd not only . . . . . [p]oysonyd the quene of Scotts but also all her . . . . blod that war not gylte therin. And so, 'quod he,' 'the Kyng to be revengyd off Reynold, I fere, wyll kyll us all.'

"Item, he wyshed hym selff and me with the byshopp off Luke, for he was a ryght honest man & a great frend of Reynolds. 'Mary,' quod I, 'and yow fere syche jeopardy, lett us be walkyng hens quyckly.'

"Item, he sayd that yet we shold do more, and here whe[n] the tyme sholde come, what w[t] powre and frendship, nor it is not the pluckyng downe off thes knaves that wyll help the mattar; we must pluk downe the hede,

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and that I was but a fole to thynke otherwyse; but for all hys wysdom [I] beshrew hys hed (?) for hys so meanyng and so saying."

In Sir Geoffrey Pole's hand, pp. 4. *Very much mutilated and injured by damp.*

12 Nov. R. O. **801.** Sir Edward Nevill.

Original of the examination of Sir Edw. Nevell, 7th and 12th Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *See* No. 804 iv.

P. 1. *Much mutilated. Endd.*

12 Nov. R. O. **802.** The Marchioness of Exeter.

Examination of Constance Bontayn [12] Nov.

Says that about three* years past the lady Marquis, lying at Kew, rode to the Nun at Canterbury, and this examinate was attired like the mistress by the way, and the said lady Marquis like the servant, attending and waiting upon them at the same time Jasper Horsey, William Da . . ch, one Bone, and a horsekeeper. She saith also that the lady Marquis never showed her the cause of her going, nother what co[mmunication] she had with the said nun, saving that the said lady Marquis told this examinate that the said nun had showed her that she, the said nun, should [co]me to a very shameful death. She saith also that after the lady Marquis was come from Canterbury again the said nun came to Horsley and there lay in a trance; but what she spake at any time during her abode there she knoweth not, nor she knoweth not, as she sayeth, whether the lord Marquis were then at Horsley or not; and she sayeth that my lady hath sent often times letters and received letters from the lord Montacute, but this examinate knoweth nothing of the contents of the said letters, nor who was the bringer or carrier of them, saving she thinketh a servant of my lord Montacute was wont to be the messenger between them for that purpose." She says also she has seen the Marquis use great familiarity with the lord Montacute, and thinks he reckoned him his assured friend. Also she heard my lady Marquis say that nothing grieved her husband so much in all his life as the putting out of the Privy Chamber.† Also she heard the lady Marquis say that men of noble blood were put out and the King taketh in other at his pleasure. She says also she heard it spoken in my lord Marquis' house and elsewhere "that the said nun should say that the King should flee the realm one day." She says also on better remembrance that the lord Marquis was at Horsley when the nun was there, but she never heard him speak anything touching the nun, nor of the lord Montacute, for whenever he conversed with his wife or any other, this examinate and others always departed.

Mutilated, p. 1. *Compared with copy in No.* 830 (2 ii.).

12 Nov. R. O. **803.** George Croftes.

Examination of George Croftes, clerk, resident of Chichester Cathedral, 12 Nov.

Has sundry times communed, both at his own house at Chichester and at Sir Geoffrey Pole's house,‡ with the said Sir Geoffrey, touching the proceedings of this realm, sometimes when Sir Geoffrey has come from the Parliaments. On these occasions he expressed his dislike of many proceedings, such as the abolition of the bp. of Rome's authority and

* The copy in No. 830 (2 ii.) says "two years." But as the nun was executed in April 1534, it is evident that a much longer time is intended.

† See the passage about "the young Marquis," wrongly supposed at the time to be Dorset. in Vol. V., No. 340 (p. 161).

‡ Lordington.

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payment of first fruits, which at this present time and of late he has liked well enough. He has said to many persons that he thought the statute for payment of first fruits "a very on[cha]ritable law." Heard Sir Geoffrey say that Hugh Holland had been over seas with the vicar of Est Mayn. Lord Delaware, at his coming from the arraignment "to" (of) the lord Darcy, told him he trusted the lord Darcy should not be put to death, for the lord Privy Seal had promised the Lords at his arraignment that he would do the best in his power that he should neither lose life nor goods. Does not remember whether he told this to Sir Geoffrey. Remembers lord Delaware told him that after the judgment given on Darcy, he and lord Cobham and others were with the King at Hampton Court. Says also that Sir Geoffrey Pole told him, last summer, he thinks, that he had been with the marquis of Exeter and lain with him all night, and his old acquaintance Mr. Stephens commended him to this examinate. Had heard Sir Geoffrey say that he had been at lord Huntingdon's with his brother, where he had been a hunting and made merry. Has often talked with Sir Geoffrey about the insurrection. Sir Geoffrey told him when coming from London at Whitsuntide last, that the King was good lord to the bp. of London, and that the said Bishop should neither lose his office nor goods; and that at the same time Sir Geoffrey, meeting with a serjeant of the town, blamed him for speaking against the said Bishop. Says also that when the Bishop was in trouble for the præmunire, Sir Geoffrey told him he was very sorry for him because he had been his good lord, and given him the keeping of a park, and lent him money.

Pp. 2. *Slightly mutilated and in part illegible.*

12 Nov. R. O. **804.** Sir Geoffrey Pole and the Marchioness of Exeter.

"The first examination" of Sir Geoffrey Pole, taken 26 (?) Oct. 30 Henry VIII. [as in No. 695 (2)].

(2.) The second examination of the said Sir Geoffrey Pole, taken 2 Nov. *anno predicto.*

All he said at his former examination is true, and he "knowledgeth the examination, being at this time wholly read unto him, to be true in every part thereof." When his brother the Cardinal was at an abbey beside Cambray,* Hugh Holland, then retaining to him, asked him if he would anything to his said brother. Replied he would write nothing. "No marry!" said Hugh, "Nor I will carry no letters." Said then, "Commend me unto him, and show him what you hear here, and how the rumour is that he shall be slain." Hugh reported on his return that the Cardinal had said he marvelled that the King, when he could not be revenged on him himself, "went about to set others, as the French king, upon him, and that the French king had sent him letters which the King had sent him for that purpose." The Cardinal had said if mother, brother, or any oth[er of his] kin were of the same opinion as the King and others of this realm, he would tread upon them with his feet. Knows of no letters or money being sent to the Cardinal by his mother, brother, or any other. Examined who first showed him the King [intende]d anything against the Cardinal; "Mrs. Da[rrell showed] him thereof" and afterwards lord Montacute at his own house told him the same. Sent word by Hugh Holland that he would come over sea if the Cardinal desired it; but got the reply "that both he and the lord Montacute [his] brother should tarry in England and hold up yea and nay the[re, for] he would do well enough." Hugh reported that the Cardinal asked about the bishops in England and prayed God amend them.

Doctor Sterkey "showed him that he had written certain letters, and after spoken with Mr. Wriothesley, and that in communication Mr. Wriothesley

* This abbey, called Anno in Hugh Holland's deposition (p. 310 *ante*) appears to have been Alne near Charleroi. *See* Vol. XII., Part I., No. 1293.

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said that this examinate and other of his family must not be made co[kneyes], and after the said Sterkey said further that the lord Pr[ivy] Seall, if the King war nott of a good nature, for one Pole's [sake] would destroy all Poles," and "that the bishops of Durham and Chichester read [togethers] the cardinal Pole's book."

(3.) Third examination of the same, taken 3 Nov.

Hugh Holland further reported that the Cardinal desired to be commended to lord Montacute and examinate, and hoped to come to England himself, and bade him remind lord Montacute of their communication at the Cardinal's departure. Throckmerton also desired Hugh to remind lord Montacute of their communication at his last being in England, and say that when he would come over sea Throckmorton would come himself and fetch him. When examinate waited at Court lord Montacute regarded him little, and said they were flatterers that followed the Court and none served the King but knaves. After he was forbidden the Court lord Montacute regarded him more and showed him copies of two letters which he thinks Throckmerton brought, one to the King and one to the lord Privy Seal. Once, in examinate's house, lord Montacute wished they were both over sea with the bp. of Luke, for this world would one day come to stripes, and then their being here might be "occasion of more favour to be showed in the realm." After Mrs. Darell showed him of the displeasure intended to the Cardinal he went to lord Montacute's house and found him in his garden. Said, "I hear that our brother beyond the sea shall be slain." "No," said lord Montacute," "he is escaped, I have letters." Thinks these letters were either from Mrs. Darell or the lady Marquis of Exeter. Saw letters from the lady Marquis to lord Montacute "wherein was contained that communication be[ing in the]* Council [o]f * the lord Montacute, the lord Marquis her [husband]* offered himself to be bound body for body for him."

Asked Dr. Sterkey "whow [the bishops] of Duresme and Chichester" liked the book written by the Cardinal when they read it. He replied that they said the matter of the book "was very clerkly handled, and that it could not be better handled, saving it was written very ve[hement]ly." Showed lord Montacute all that Hugh reported from the Cardinal, but did not tell who was the messenger.

(4.) Fourth examination taken 5 November.

Examined where and when he opened to lord Montacute the message sent by Hugh Holland, says it was a little before the King's coming to Sussex last summer, in riding between lord De Laware's house and Warbyngton. Examined of the conferences between him and Croftes of Chichester; told Croftes all the message from the Cardinal. Croftes said, "Well it is he (the Cardinal) that shall restore the Church again." Croftes said the lord Privy Seal "promised the lords at the arraignment of lord Darcy, that if they would cast him he should neither lose life, nor goods." Because the King, when at Stansted, came not to my Lady their mother, lord Montacute said, "Well, [le]t it pass, we shall thank them one day. This world will turn up so down, and I fear me we shall have no lack b[ut] of honest men." Lord Montacute told examinate, at the ruffle when Holland was taken, that he had burned many letters at his house called Bukmar, beside Henley upon Temmes. Lord Montacute showed him within an arrow shot of Hounsloe the letters from my lady marquis of Exeter: they were all in her own hand. The lord Montacute showed him this summer that the lord Privy Seal had sent Mr. Richard Crumwell to the marquis of Exeter "to be frank in opening certain things"; but the lord Marquis replied he would open nothing to the hindrance of his friend;

* Supplied from No. 831 II.

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another time the lord Privy Seal had sent to the lord Marquis to his house in London "concerning a certain berwarde." Asked lord Montacute the cause of a certain strangeness he had noticed of late between lord Montacute and the Marquis; Montacute said, "Marry! My lord Marquis hath willed so, because there is noted a certain suspicion between us." There were frequent letters between the lady Marquis and lord Montacute.

(5.) Fifth examination, taken 7 Nov.

Lord Montacute, in conversation with him, often wished they were over sea with the bp. of Luke; he did so at Chiphames, "in a certain morn[ing since the] departing of his brother, the Cardinal, from Flanders." Was not trusted by the lady Marquis after it was perceived the King favoured him; the lord [Montacute] told him this. "The lord Marquis, a certain time at Hors[ley], at which time he gave the lord Privy Seal a summer coat and a wood knife, winking upon this examinate, said, 'Peace! knaves rule about the King'; and holding [up] and shaking his fist, said, 'I trust to give them a buffet one day.'" Lord Montacute used to say a time would come, and he feared they would lack nothing but honest men. Once met the lord Marquis riding from London to his house at Horsley and examinate's servant came at the same time with letters from London. Turned back with the lord Marquis, who said he had been compelled to leave his constableship of Windsor and take abbey lands instead. "What!" said examinate, "be you come to this point to take abbey lands now?" "Yea," said he, "good enough for a time; they must have all again one day." Once asked lord Montacute why he had no more mind to Warbyngton, and he replied, "I would rather dwell in the West parts, my lord marquis of Exeter is strong there, and I am sorry the lord Aburgavenney is dead, for if he were alive he were able to make 10,000 men." Lord Montague said that when the lord Marquis was put out of the Privy Chamber, the putting out of others at the same time was only done to colour the putting out of the lord Marquis. One Colens, a [priest], belonging to the lord Montacute, showed examinate that one Morgan, servant also of lord Montacute, was to have gone over sea to kill Peter Meotes or whoever should kill cardinal Pole. Mrs. Darell said that one of the French king's Privy Chamber, very friendly with Sir Francis Bryan, warned the Cardinal that they intended to slay him. When examinate was banished the Court lord Montacute said to him, "Geoffrey, God loveth us well that will not suffer us to be amongst them; for none rule about the Court but knaves." At that time "lying in bed with his said brother," the latter said "I dreamed now that the King is dead." Two days after he said in his great chamber at Bockmar, "The King is not dead, but he will one day die suddenly; his leg will kill him and then we shall have jol[ly] stirring." After last insurrection lord Montacute said in his own ground at Luftington, "Twishe! Geoffrey, thou hast no cast with [thee; the lord] Darcye played the fool; he went about to p[luck away the] Council. He should first have begun with [the head; but I beshrew] them for leaving off so soon."

(6.) Sixth examination, taken 9 and 11 Nov.

When the [King] and the French king last met beyond sea, examinate was there in disguise and present at the meeting, but never went abroad except at night, keeping all day in the chamber of his brother the lord Montacute, who said he thought the French king would deceive the King. Since then lord Montacute was never pleased with the King's doings. The lord marquis of Exeter knew that examinate was then in Calais. Lord Montacute told him last summer, riding between Halfnakyd and Chichester, never to open anything if he should be examined, for if he opened one all must needs come out. Says also he was told by his wife that lord Montacute asked her how he (examinate) did since his coming to the Tower, adding that he had heard that he was mad [and that it] "forceth not what a mad man saith." Also that at the [King's] being beyond the seas of which he

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spake before, t[he lord Mon]tacute sent this examinate to the princess Dowager to [tell] her that nothing was done at that meeting touching the marriage with the lady Anne, and that the King had done his best but the French king would not assent to it. Also that the earl of Huntingdon and lord Montacute at divers Parliaments, communing together, "would say they [were but] knaves and heretics that gave over, and that such as did [agree to] things there did the same for fear, and I did always murmur and grudge against things determined there. He saith also that at the last insurrection the lord Montacute promised this examinate harness for himself and 10 more," Montacute being then at Bisham. Examinate asked him afterwards where the harness was. He replied, In a corner, "but that forced not; he knew it should not need at that time." He has heard Montacute say that Reynold (meaning the Cardinal his brother) should do good one day. Says also that Hierome Raglande had been very familiar with Montacute, and known much of his mind. That Thos. Nanfant also knew much, and was wont to go often in errands (?) for him to the lord Marquis and others, and that Montacute put the said Nanfant to Sir John Wallop in France to learn the French tongue. Also at his coming from Calais, of which he spake before, he came by the lady Salisbury his mother, then in Kent, and brought letters to her from lord Montacute her son. Also that Montacute lately lamented very much the sickness of the lady Marquis, "saying that his stomach was such that if the wisdom of my Lady were not, he would not be able to bear this world, and feared nothing [in the lord] Marquis but that he would die before the time sh[ould come]." Says also that when at Calais he heard [the lord Monta]cute say that the French king "was hardier ma[n] th[an the] King our master," and that when one Kend[al]* and others were in the Tower he heard lord Montacute say that it was pity the lord Marquis was so handled, and that he had a just suit depending in the law for that matter.

(7.) The seventh examination of the said Sir Geoffrey, taken 12 Nov.

Says he has heard Sir Edward Nevell many times deprave the King, saying that his Highness was a beast and worse than a beast. Also that lord Montacute was never willing that this examinate should serve the King, but was content that he should sa[rve t]he lady Dowager. The lord Montacute also advised this examinate not to go from his mistress, and after, when this examinate asked him to help him into the King's service, he would not but he would have the marquis of Exeter's advice therein. Getting no comfort of them, made suit himself to the King, when the King accepted him, at which lord Montacute was not content. Lord Montacute told him also the King would go so far that all the world would mislike him, and that the King one day told the lords "that he [would] go from them one day, and where be you then?" and the lord Montacute said, "If he will serve us so, we shall be happily rid." Lord Montacute has confessed to him that he never loved the King from childhood, and that King Henry VII. had no affection nor fancy unto him. He said also "that the King would be out of his wits [on]e day, for when he came to his chamber he would look angerly, and after fall to fighting." He says also that he told Croftes of Chichester of Hugh Holland's going to cardinal Pole, and Croftes advised him to go over with him, saying it was that cardinal that should do good one day, and gave examinate 20 nobles towards his charges, saying "You may be able to do good another day." Two days after Croftes wrote to him that he had a vision in the night that he should do better here than if he went over sea,

* This must be William Kendal, concerning whose conduct the King sent down some messengers to Cornwall to make inquiries in 1531. *See* the Paper of Instructions in Archæologia, XXII. 24. The document is not dated, but is clearly connected with the charge brought against "the young Marquis" (Exeter, not Dorset as surmised in Vol. V. p. 161) of assembling the people of Cornwall, in the summer of 1531.

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and examinate paid him the 20 nobles back. He says also that last summer lord Montacute and this examinate rode together to lord Stafford's h[ouse]*, when lord Stafford showed him he was afraid to converse with lord Montacute. "I like him not; he dare speak so largely." Lord Stafford told him also, "Ye foll[ow] so much the lord Montacute that [he will b]e your undoing one day." He says also that at the King's last [be]ing in Cowdrey, Sir Edw. Nevell said to this examinate, "[Master] Pole, let us not be seen to speak togethers; we be had in suspicion; but it forceth not, we shall do well enough one day." Sir Edw. Nevell another time told him at the Court, when the King was at Westminster, "God's blood! I am made a fool amongst them, but I laugh [and] make merry to drive forth the time. The King keepeth a sort [of] knaves here that we dare nother look nor speak, and [if I were] able to live, I would rather live any life in the wo[rld than] tarry in the Privy Chamber."

II. Examination of the lord Montacute [7] Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.
Copy of No. 772.

III. The three examinations of the lady Marquis, taken 6, 9, and 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *See* abstract, No. 765.
Mutilated.

IV. Examination of Sir Edw. Nevell, 7 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.
Confesses that he told the marquis of Exeter that a bearward of his was taken in the West country, and advised him to look to it, as it was much against his honour; that the Marquis told him "that the lord Privy Seal had sent to him touching the be[arward] of whom this examinate had spoken to him before and th[at he] had made answer again that he would not open any[thing to the] hurt of his friend, and that he had made an [excuse to the] lord Privy Seal for the not opening [of it, and th]at he was satisfied with that excuse."

(2.) Second examination, 12 Nov.
"After the K[ing's Highness had] exhorted him to leave the company of the [lord marquis] of Exeter, he showed the same to the said lo[rd Marquis, declar]ing unto him that the lord Privy Seal w[as present when] the King so exhorted him, and saying to the said lord Marquis 'I may no longer keep you company'; to whom the said lord Marquis answered, 'I pray our Lord be with you.' And more he will not confess."
Pp. 18., *with dockets on two blank leaves.*

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R. O. List of interrogatories headed "Sir Geoffrey Pole."†
(1) Where and when lord Montacute willed you to open nothing, for if you opened one thing all must come out. (2) What you commoned of at that time. (3) Where you said you were disguised at the meeting of the Kings and Montacute said the French king would deceive the King, did he say wherein? (4) Whether he declared what intelligence he had therein, and by whom he had it. (5) What Montacute intended to do if the French king deceived the King. (6) What conference, touching the things by you opened, you have had with lord Hastings. (7) Do you know of Montague having had any conference therein with Hastings or the Master of the Horse or Sir John Walloppe? (8) Have you been present at any? (9) What have you heard of any meeting between them?
P. 1. *Faded.*

* Roughey near Horsham. *See* No. 796.
† Drawn up, apparently after his sixth examination, which was on the 9th and 11th November. *See* above.

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R. O. 2. Copy of the second examination of Sir Edward Nevell. *See* No. 804 iv.

ii. First sentence of the seventh examination of Sir Geoffrey Pole. *See* No. 804 (7).

In Cromwell's hand, p. 1. *Injured by damp and slightly mutilated.*

R. O. 3. Extract from the seventh examination of Sir Geoffrey Pole commencing after the first sentence where Cromwell's note of it § 2 ii. leaves off, and ending, "he would look angerly and so fall to fighting." *Signed:* Geof[fr]ey Pole.

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12 Nov. **806.** London, Austin Friars.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 609. Surrender of the house and all its possessions in cos. Midd., Essex, Suss., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Hamond, prior, *and* 12 *others, the last being* John Stokes, doctor. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 28.]

Seal much injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2. *No.* 53] as acknowledged same day before Thos. Legh, LL.D.

12 Nov. **807.** London, Crossed Friars.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 610. Surrender (by the prior and convent) of the house and all its possessions in the city of London and elswhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Raphael Tornar* *and* 5 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 28.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *No.* 65] as acknowledged same day before Ric. Layton, clk., one of the clerks of Chancery.

12 Nov. **808.** London, Grey Friars.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 609. Surrender of the monastery and all its possessions in London and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Chapman, warden, S.T.D., Ric. Hopkyns, junior, Wm. Watts, bachelor, Ric. Qwyckhope, doctor, John Thornall, doctor, John Mathew, Wm. Cateryke, bachelor, John Parker, "senex" *and* 19 *others, among them* Roderic Boto, doctor. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 28.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 2, *No.* 55] as acknowledged same day before Ric. Layton and Thos. Legh, doctors of laws.

12 Nov. **809.** London, Black Friars.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 609. Surrender of the house and all its possessions in the city of London and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* J. bp. of Rochester, prior commendatory, *and* 16 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. ii. 28.]

Seal much injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p* 2, *No.* 64] as acknowledged same day before Ric. Layton, one of the clerks of Chancery.

* Does not name himself prior.

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R. O. 2. Obits or chauntries kept within the Black Friars, London, by perpetual foundation of King Henry VII. to be paid by Westminster Abbey, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Paid by the wardens of the Fishmongers of London for an obit, and 3 priests daily singing for the soul of Lord Fannoppe, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* For two priests singing first and last mass, and for a schoolmaster of grammar paid by the Goldsmiths, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* A priest daily singing for the soul of Thomas Rogers paid by the Vintners, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Obits not perpetual (amounts of each given) :—24 Feb. of Nic. Halswell; 25 Feb. of Thos Rogers, paid by the Vintners; 6 April of Robert and Agnes Morton; four times a year, *i.e.* 13 April, 11 Aug., 1 Sept., and 15 Sept. of Lady Elizabeth Scrope, paid by Sir John Harberd, canon of St. Stephen's, Westminster; 27 April, of Ric. Rookesby and lady Jane his wife, paid by the Master of the Savoy; 3 May, of Gerard Danett; 28 May, of Elizabeth Cosyn; 6 June, of John Kirby; 2 Sept. of Mr. Medley; 2 Oct., of Mr. Parker, priest; 11 Nov., of Sir Thomas Parre, knight; 1 Dec., of Lady Maude Parre.

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12 Nov. **810.** W. [Earl of] Southampton to Cromwell.

R. O. This morning, as the bp. of Elye and he were mounting for their journey, received Cromwell's letters by the bearer. Will see the contents accomplished. "At my poor house of Cowdrey," Tuesday morning, 12 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

12 Nov. **811.** Lord Leonard Grey to Cromwell.

R. O. The land has not been quieter for years, as the bearer Wm. Sayntloo can show, for whom he begs favour. Begs Cromwell to remember his own suit to repair to the King. Maynooth castle, 12 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

Nov. **812.** Nicholas [Bishop] of Waterford to Cromwell.

R. O. Has lands adjoining the Western Geraldines which, if the King would resume and furnish with good captains, might serve to subdue the "protervity" of the lord Barre, lord Roche, Gerald Fitz John, and Gerald of Desmond's sons. Would take in exchange the spiritualties of monasteries to be suppressed in his diocese, as St. Katherine's beside Waterford, Mochel, the Cahyr, and Surro. The King might likewise order the temporal lands of the bishopric of Fernes, whose lands, lying amongst the Irish rebels and around the King's castle of Fernes, are necessary for the King. Refers to William Saintloo, who has done high services. Offers falcons. Waterford, —— (*blank*) Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

12 Nov. **813.** Thomas Theabold to Cromwell.

Nero B. vi. 54. B. M. Has written three or four times without hearing whether his letters have been received, or if so whether his pains have been acceptable. Presumes the best, however, in every doubt and trusts Cromwell's incomparable wisdom will not despise his good will. The news from Germany is that the Turk has taken one or two of the strongest cities in Transylvania, and the Vivade has compounded with him for 300,000 ducats to withdraw his army, and to grant him truce till Easter. The Turk has accordingly returned to Constantinople; but if it had been towards summer instead of winter "I reckon no mean sum of money should have redeemed his enterprise," for he had been in great hope of Buda, the only defence of Hungary. George Margrave of Brandenburgh, and the city of Noremberge,

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813. THOMAS THEABOLD to CROMWELL—*cont.*

who have long been at variance for possession of a certain country, had come to open defiance, and the former had taken prisoners certain citizens of Noremberge, but the Emperor has commanded both parties to make no business, and doubtless the Landgrave and the Elector of Saxony "do yntermyxt ther[ein] to agree them." Concerning Gueldres and the meeting of the French king and my lady Mary, the Regent of Flanders, in Picardy, you are doubtless better informed than we. Andrea Doria has won Castellum Novum from the Turk, where he found many great guns and instruments of war bearing "the arms and marks of the Arrogusians,* who [be ?] always free by reason they are tributors of both unto the Torke and the Emperor also; but by reason of this [aid] given unto the Torke which was detected in this Castellum Novum, Andreas Dorias demandeth of them iij (?) h[undred] and fifty thousand ducats, or else he will invade them as envys (enemies)." Hears both from Italians and Frenchmen that the Emperor is raising all the power he can in Spain to enter the Mediterranean this sp[ring], and will have 100 Flemish ships to convey his victuals, &c., to the army to these parts against the Turk. The Venetians and others here "of their [super]stition and impiety are wonderoubly (*sic*) moved and mad against the abolition of the idols in England," and talk of it maliciously. "At this present one Carolus Capellius, a Venetian, [who] for their State hath been ambassador in England, in France, and with Verdynand (Ferdinand) in Hungary, was here to ta[ke] Mer† for a season by reason of a catarrh of which he is sick, into whose knowledge and acquaintance I d[id in]sinuate myself and came to his house the day before his departure, invited of him by the means of o[ne] of his familiars, a very great papist *ad insaniam*, which doth judge me also to be of his error, or [else] he would not have brought me there." Capellius received him with all gentleness and asked him, when he came to Venice, to visit him. He is very superstitious and much devoted to the Pope's authority, and was very vehement against "these most Christian and good reformations in England." He thinks the Council will be a failure because the Pope and Cardinals do not earnestly seek it, "wherewith he seemed to be moved. Also we talked about the duke of Urbyn's death, which died about three weeks agone at Venice, whose lands he reckoneth the Pope will take from his heirs, and had done y[t] by his lifetime but for the intercession of the Venetians, because he was their general capyt[an] by land." A learned man here in Pa[dua], a great friend of Pole, Sadolet, and Contarini, who came from Venice [3] or 4 days ago informs Theabold that the Pope had sent for all the learned Cardinals to come to Rome in haste this winter (and indeed they be gone) to consult on matters of great weight, especially to determine a censure against England, "and that should be done chiefly [by] two Cardinals' judgments, of the which Contarenus should be one; the other's name I have forgot."

We hear also that the Emperor's bastard daughter was la[tely] received at Rome with great pomp, which is an argument that the marriage between her and the Pope's son (grandson) will proceed. A learned man here says he hears from Bonanye that the Emperor means to make Signor Cosmian di Medicis duke of Florence, who is to have one of Ferdinand's daughters in marriage; also that the Pope goes about to get his son made duke of Bonony by consent of the Emperor and the French king. "Here is a holy and a conscionable protector of the seat of Rome, which is so spiritually and godly affectioned toward it, and so abhorring from all carnal motions that he is not afraid or ashamed openly in the face of all the world to take old father Peter's coat away to clothe Paul's young son, and so to bring Bonony

* The citizens of Ragusa. † Sic in MS.

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ad successores Pauli, because, peradventure, they fear Peter shall have no mo heirs by reason his rights be so exactly examined and well known!" He, no doubt, feels that he may alienate his dominions with as much conscience as his predecessors usurped them; or perhaps he followed the example of our abbots and priors in England, who, when they saw their hypocrisy, idolatry, and superstition disclosed by the light of the Gospel, gave pensions under their chapter seals to make friends. The Emperor and the French king care only for his temporal power, but he sees they will strip him of that, and so he will provide for the succession of his carnal family. By these marriages these men hope to make themselves strong against the Turk and other princes, and the Venetians dare not break with them, as the Frenchmen, the Pope, and the Emperor are now united.

Friar Pato (Peto) is at Venice and will probably stay there or here this winter. Hopes to speak with him there next week, when he will also resort to Carolus Capellius again. Proposes hereafter to lie mostly in Venice, if it be Cromwell's pleasure, where he hopes to learn much without its being known that he favours the truth; "for among my countrymen I do not utterly profess the truth, nother to no other, except it be to certain Germans with whom I had familiarity in their country, which here dare not utter their minds concerning the Gospel, but secretly to them they know and trust." The General Council was again indicted here in Padua within these ten days, to begin at Vyncence the beginning of this next May. No man here believes it will take effect, considering the war against the Turk. The place, moreover, is not indifferent, and the Pope and most of the Cardinals "do intend [it]," but use this pretence to put their malicious enterprises into execution, and perhaps declare the Evangelicals rebels to the Church if they refuse to appear.

Would have sent some verses made in Antwerp and set up in Our Lady church against the King, for embracing the truth, but supposes Cromwell has received them from those parts ere this. Padwaye, the morrow of St. Martin's day.

Hol., pp. 2, *close written. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

12 Nov. **814.** Charles V. to Don Lope de Soria.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 268. B. M.

Next year's enterprise against the Turk, the Armada of the League, and prince Doria. Grieved to learn the death of the duke of Urbino. A gentleman sent by Francis with M. de Pelu (Peloux) recommends that the enterprise be deferred; but though Francis will not enter the League he will aid it with 30,000 cr. a month for five or six months. The French are satisfied with the Emperor's answer about the marriages of the prince of Spain and the French king's daughter, and of the duke of Orleans and the Infanta or the King of the Romans' daughter.

Spanish, pp. 14. *Headed:* Minute, Toledo, 12 Nov. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.*

13 Nov. **815.** Sir Harry Capell to Sir Wm. Powlett.*

R. O.

Since last writing, heard of a priest named Sir Ric. Holonde, at Yatton, in Somerset, who wrought by "nygromansy." Sends a letter which he sent to lord Braye by Wm. Stephyns of Brockley, in the same county; a certificate of further knowledge about him, and his tools and other things. Asks him to do about it as he thinks best, and to have the certificate rewritten if he intends to show it further. Obley, 13 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To his singular good uncle, etc.

* This letter is likely to be of an earlier year, but cannot in any case be later, as Paulet became lord St. John in March 1539.

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13 Nov. **816.** THOS. AVEREY to LORD LISLE.

R. O. On Lisle's last being with my Lord his master in London, at the writer's request he promised the next vacancy of 6*d.* wages in Calais to Wm. Vaughan, the bearer. Puts him in mind of his promise. London, 13 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Of none emportancie.†

817. THE COUNTESS OF SALISBURY.

Cott.App.L.82. B. M. [Information against her by Gervase Tyndall, otherwise named Clifton].

* * * . . oftes wold be no . . . . . be none therabowtes [of the new ler]ny[n]ge as the callyt but that my lady scholde by and [by dismiss] them under sume other coler and pretens for the . . . . . Ester was a twelmonth x or xij off my lord Montygu [se]rvantes went to Cychester to be confessyd, with the which thyng [my] lady was not a lytyll dyscontent. Off thys thynge he sayd [h]e had good wyttnes.

"[I]f my lord‡ wyll take the payns to examane stratly and severally Mr. Newtone and Mr. Nycollsune, schaplayns to my lady, and specyally Newton, I [dowt]§ thynk suerly he schall cume to the knollyge off [muc]h fals spakyng a monge them, for thes be the ryngleders [of] my ladys error all together, as I well persaved be the wysperyng off the holle hows all moste, when the cam to the surgan hows, for I never came with yn her gates as long as I lay at Warblyngtun, nor never was bedune ons to drynke."

lb. f. 83. ". . . . was Rycharde Ayer at surgery my lady off Salsbery . . . [w]ch dwelythe at Warblyngtun, he came at certayne tym [unto] me and sayd that he had ben resunynge with the curat off [Ha]vonde, which he sayd and affermyd was skasly the Kyngys [fr]end, but he wolde not tell the caws why. Also he accusyd [t]he curat of Warblyngtun for revelynge of hys confessyone; which, as [he] affermyd, askte hym forgevunes afterward off hys knes. Note with [st]ondynge he sayd ther wer a company off prestes [in] my lady's howse, which dyd her muche harme and kepte her [from] the trewe knolyche of God's Word. Howe it chansyd I [can]e not tell, but thes Rychard sayd un to me, Ye muste departe, [J]eruas Tyndel, my lady hys note contente with me that . . yowe ar her, for as muche as sche ys credabully ynfor[me]d that yowe ar all of the newe lernynge. Then I [an]swerd and sayd I wolde not departe, nother for lord [nor] lady, tyll I were better amendyd. Then he sayd with[in] a day or ij after that my lady had commayndyd hym [to send]e away all hys patyentes frome hys hows. Then I askyd [hym] ernystly what schold be the caws, and he sayd so that [I wo]lde kepyt closse he wolde tell me; which I promysyd [to] hym. Then he sayd the prestes yn my ladys kold not . . . . . yn with me yn any wys. Then I answerd and sayd, I pray [you] brenge me to communycatyon with sume off them. Then [he] sayd the wer suche closse knaves that the wold nether resune [net]her be resund with. Fordermor

f. 83b. he sayd that yff yt wern[ot] ‖Howsse which he dewe[lleth] . . . also he lobord . . . . . he wolde netulle a sorte off them that the schold s . . . . . Then I sayd, Kolde yowe so doe. Wher un[to he answerd] and sayd that ther was falsse packyng a[mong them], which when I ynstantly desyerd to knoe, he sayd [to me], Yff I wer as wel aquantyd with my lord Prevysele as [he] hys I wold tell hym a tale that wher worth t[ell]ynge. Then I sayd yff he wold so dooe I wolde g . . . . . yowe¶ and brynge yowe¶ to a kynsmane off myn whoss [name] ys Gerom Lyn, other

† Apparently an endorsement made after Lisle's arrest in 1540, when his letters were searched.

‡ Cromwell.

§ Crossed out in MS.

‖ Here the verso of f. 83. begins.

¶ "hym" erased; and "yowe" interlined in these two places.

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els to Master Moryson, which was [sum] tym petycanom with me in my lordes Cardynall Colly[ge at] Oxforde, which bothe I affermyd wold brynge hy[m to] my lordes gras and caws hym to be harde; ye, and moro[ver] that my lord wold geve hym gret thankes yn th[at] behalff, and do mor for hym then ever my lady w[old]. Then he answerde and sayd very secratly theis w[ords]: Tyndall, her ys a knave which dewelythe by, wos n[ame ys] Hewe Holand, and he begenythe nowe off late [to act] the marchant mane and the broker, for he go[yth over] the see and convays letters to Master Helyar ower [parson] her off Warblyntune (which I thynke he affermy[d to be at] Orlyans), and he playthe the knave off thother [hand] and convaythe letters to Master Poole the Cardy[nall, and] all the secretes off the rem off Ynglond ys k[nowyn to the] bychope off Rome as well as th . . . . . wer her.

f. 84. Then I sayd, Doe yowe knoe thes for a cer[ten]* . . . . . is send for o . . . . . was at [han]† . . . . . coome to a certayn man hows whos nam ys Westmel (?) . . . . . synger sayd that the caws was that I schold have a [pupil o]r ij to ynstruct yn the Latyn tonge, but yt was for no [ot]her caws but to confond me, for as moche as the prestes had [re]portyd that I was an Observant Frere, for the had gotune [an] obstynate frer amonge them, which was send for for the moste . . . . . [t]o put me to lake and schame; which thynge when I persavyd [I] declaryd my selff to be no suche parsne and defyde them all which are frers. When I had so done, the curat, Sir Wyllyam Wantlatyn was most bese (busy), and askyd why many [persons] callyd me Tyndall and sume Clyftun; and I answerd and sayd that my uncull, Doctor Clyftun, which gave me exybition yn Oxford nammyd me after that nam, and thys thynge Master Moresun kane wyttnes, that many callyd me so yn Oxford after hym, and at the last I troe I callyd thys which schold be a prest knave and bade hym remember Rychard Ayers wordes, which were that he scholde scassly be the Kyngis frend. And when I sayd soe, by and by yn a gret fewme one [B]owcher the constabull, which was present, answerd and sayd, [I] wold thowe scholdes knoyt that I and xx moe wyll coome [u]p and testyfy for hym, and yt was mery yn thes contry [be] for suche felowys came, which fyndythe suche fawtes with ower honestes prestes. Then I spake and sayd, Master Constabull, what mene yowe to be so hasty? Yt had been yower parte tofor

f. 84b. to have askyd whether I myself had knone any‡ almost . . . . I were wake sprytyd and sayd morove[r] . . . . . hard thes words as paraventure the schold, th . . . . . what he menythe be thes words, y[t was mery] yn ower contry befor suche felowys camynhyt, which fy[ndythe] suche faytes, and sayd Haunschyer was a quiat contry . . the sumthynge a frayd off thes wordes, yn as muche a[s. .] rehersyd them the next day follyng went strei[ght to] Sir Geffera Pooll, which send for me and askyd why I [did] say thes wordes. Also he bad me spek yff I kneue a[ny] thynge, for he sayd he was the Kynge justyce and . . frynd, and I declaryd thes matter befor rehersyd and sayd the mygt say so welynoug for yt ys truth.

"Testes Johanes Ansard: N. Westme . . §

"Rychard Ayer sayd that ther colde be nothynge be done, nether s . . . . yn all [the country] wer he dwellyd bout my Lady dyd knoe yt, all thow [yt wer] never so secret yn mens hartes for the curat dyd reuell . . . . . *sub sigillo secreto* as the papystes sae the may doe to my Lady, and the acordynge to ther owthe wysp[èrd] yn my Ladys eer, saynge that the myght so doe, for as muche . . . . . for the sole helthe off the partys yn that my Lady was off g[ood mind] and wold se secret reformatyon and feyn as thowe sche dyd [know] be sume other mens;

* f. 84. † Crossed out. Perhaps Havant was meant. ‡ f. 84b.

§ The whole document is in the handwriting of this witness, whose signature is mutilated: "N. Westme . . . . ."

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f. 85. and thys was for no other caus as . . . . . .* . . . . . e Master Tyndall, yff yowe chanse to have commu[nicacion with a] certayn mane whom my Lady pote owte off servys . . . . . lernyng, he wyll tell more then thys, whos name . . . . . crese maker, with whome when I went to Hauond from [Richa]rd Ayers hows which was at Warblyntune, I mett with and I . . . . . rd hys a quantans for as moche as I parsavyd that he favord [gre]tly also Godes word. Then he sayd the same to me, and so after [said] unto me ther as I yntendyd to teche a gramer scoll . . . . . man with me off the scryptur, but we agred to well have . . . . . e dysputatyon. Then he sayd unto me, Have yowe good a [quant]ans yn my lord Prevysel hows? To whom I answred and sayd [that I] hade. Then he sayd Ye may doe a good ded to pootforthe suche [things] as I cold ynforme yowe off. Then I sayd, [Have] yowe nonaquantans, and ar the prynce gras sarvand? Then he [sayd, Y]es, I am aquantyd with Master Cottune, whome I have movyd [in t]hys matter, and whate concell he gave hym I do not well re[mem]ber; boot as farforthe as my memory wyll sarave me, Master [Cottune] movyd hyme to lettyt a lone and besenote (*busy not*) hym self with such [thynges for] other men schold do yt welynowhe yff the mychgt parsa[ve them to] be trewe thus. I askyd hym what the matter [was]. Then he sayd, Tyndall, whatt a thynge ys thys? [My la]dy off Salsberys consell schall command oponly yn [the Kyng]es [n]ame that no mane so hardy which be her tennantes schall occopy [books of] the Newe Testament yn Englych or any other new [books] which the Kynges Hynes hathe pryvelyged; which he affermyd [he had] good wyttnes off. Mor over he sayd that the parsune

f. 85b. † off Warblyngtun wh[ose name] ys Helyar ass[ured hym] that the Byschope off Rome had as m[any friends] yn England as ever he had, not withstandy[ng the new] acte, savynge yn on poynte; morover perse . . . . . he was supremhed over all the chorch o[ff Christ]; which opynyon, when thes forsayd Peter sayd yt [was] tresone, the parsunne fled to Portsmothe, and ther wa[s] vj days yn Henry Bykyls hows, tyll such tym as he was c[um] yn to a schep which went yn to Franse, which he sayd w[as a] thynge opunde to my lord Pryvysel, and so hys goodes [was taken], but Sir Geffera Pooll and Master Pallet mayd suc[h] scheft that the matter was clokyd and hys good[es re]stauryd again; but not with standynge he sayd that y[ff he] myght talke with lord Prevy Sell he wold so d[iscover] the matter that the schold no lenger blynd [hym] yn hyt as the had done. Mor over he sayd that the cu[rate] of Warblyngtune left owt the declaratyone off pu[rpos] when he red the Kyng's book. Also the b . . . . sayd that thys Hewe Holand and Henry Bykyls and . . . . Standyche, clarke off the kechyn to my lady, wher [such] crafty felows that my lord schold never get nothy[ng of] them, except he had ther concell and went [more] wysly to worke.

"Hec sunt que a Richardo Ayer et Petro Wy . . . . audivi, sed precipue a Petro textore illo qui co . . . pollicitus est testaturum se que audivit, a . . . . . prorsus recusavit testem se futurum, sed Pe[trus dicit] alios etiam nonnullos potuisse se afferre qui h . . . . "

Pp. 6. *Mutilated.*

13 Nov. **818.** THE COUNTESS OF SALISBURY.

R. O. Answer of the countess of Salisbury to certain interrogatories ministered to her by my lord Admiral and the bp. of Ely, 12 & 13 Nov. 30 Henry VIII.

1. Being asked whether cardinal Poole, before his going beyond seas, opened his mind to her, saying he liked not the proceedings of this realm and for that reason would go beyond sea, and left her these words for a token,

* f 85. † f. 85b.

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spes mea, &c.; she replies that he never opened his mind to her touching any statutes or proceedings of the King and it was sore against her mind that ever he went abroad "again." And that she takes the King to witness, for she desired his Grace that her son might no more go over sea; neither was there any privy token between her and him at his departure; but the words *spes mea, &c.*, is a common word written in the windows and other places of the house. She knew none other but that the King had sent him to Paris upon his business.

2. Examined whether the vicar of Est Maigne at his departure opened his mind to her after like sort; replies that he never did about his going beyond sea, but brought home her children and said that within a sevennight or a fortnight he would return again, [as she] supposed "he would have done . . . . . made her privy of anything what he . . . . . ne axed her for token, letter or message [unto her] son."

3. Examined whether [at any ti]me she received any letters or messages from [the sai]d Poole by Th[r]ogmerton, "and that she and her . . . . . should hold up yea and nay and speak little":—Denies utterly that she ever received any letters or message by Throgmerton or any other concerning Reginald Poole except one from the King, of which she has a copy.

4. As to the sending over of Hugh Holland, says it was not by her consent or with her knowledge.

5. Asked whether Sir Geoffrey Poole ever told her that the King went about to cause Sir Reynold Poole to be slain; says he did, and she prayed God heartily to change the King's mind. And being examined who told her that the Cardinal had escaped that danger, she says both her sons; and for motherly pity she could not but rejoice.

6. Asked whether she [knew] that Peter Meotas was gone over the sea [for] killing her son, and that both her sons would go to the Cardinal. Denies that she ever heard that Peter Meotas should so do, and prays God she may be torn in pieces if ever she heard such a thing of her sons.

7. Asked whether the Cardinal desired her blessing and thought she would [be gl]ad of his blessing again, putting her in remembrance of the communication had at his departing, and th[at s]he and her sons should hold up yea and [nay] and that they should tarry in England still, &c. Replies that she never heard any such thing, either by word of mouth or letters.

8. Examined whether in their communications all three together they have much commended the doings of the Cardinal, trusting he should be Pope one day and come into England again:—Denies that they ever had such conversation, but has often wished to see him again in England with the King's favour, though he were but a poor parish priest.

9. Examined of certain communications they had together, wherein they lamented the King's proceedings and wished for a change: she utterly denies it. "And where it was objected that she liked not the plucking d[own] of the abbeys and houses of religion [she] saith [true] it was she was sorry for . . . . . of the houses where her ancestors lay [though she] much lamented the living of the . . . . . which was the cause of th . . . . . thereof."

10. As to the [going o]ver of Morgan she utterly denies that she heard thereof. Also denies she ever heard lord Montacute say that none ruled about the King but knaves.

11. Examined whether when they heard that Hugh Holland was taken, all three by one consent burned their letters, whether received from Sir Reynold Poole or my lord of Exeter and his wife:—Replies that she herself never burned any letter concerning the King. Has burned private men's letters of small importance, but there never was such agreement among them and she never heard of any that her sons had burned. Denies she ever received letters or messages from my lord of Exeter or his wife prejudicial to the King or his realm. Denies also that she ever heard her son say that this world was

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turned upside down, or that it would come to stripes, or that she ever heard her son wish or look for the King's death or "mention any stirring or motion or thing like days of her life."

12. Asked whether she heard the lord Montacute say [he h]ad rather dwell in the West parts [than] at Warblington, and that he lamented the death of lord Aburgeyveny because he was able to make 10,000 men; says she never heard such things, nor that she heard him say that my lord marquis of Exeter was his ass[ured] friend and would take such party [as] he took.

13. Examined of the lord Montacute's saying, "beshrewing the lord Darcy because he left so soon at the last insurrection, and saying he played the fool going about to pluck away the [Cou]ns[el] for he should have gone abouts to pluck away the head":—Answers "upon her damnation," she never heard such words spoken.

14. "Item, [examin]ed of the lord Montacute h[is] saying, [be]cause the King came not to Warblington, We shall thank them one day, and a time will come, &c." Never heard her son say so, and thinks him very much belied. Denies also that ever there was any agreement to conceal anything among them.

15. Says also she [never heard] any little inkling of any such decei[t as] our master should have been deceived by [the] French king; but says her son Sir Geoffrey, being in an Inn of Court, went over sea to the interview at Guisnes without her knowledge or that of lord Montacute till he came thither, and if lord Montacute had not made him return he would have gone in w[arf]ayre (?).

16. Being examined further u[nder] whom; says she knows not.

17. As to the article that lord Montague and Sir Geoffrey should wish themselves to be over seas sometime with their brother, sometime with the bp. of Luke, "she denieth utterly her baptism and prayeth that she never see God in the face if ever she heard any such words." As to the last article, "that this world must needs change and come to stripes, and at that time th[eir] being in England should be occasion of m[o]re favour to be showed to others within this realm, with great oaths swearing she saith she never heard no such words."

18. Examined of Hierome and Nanfant; says they came upon Saturday both to her house, and Nanfant went away upon Sunday, and Hierome on Monday, and the cause of their coming was for the . . . . . and the tone for seeing his wie[f, and s]he commanded them to depart, for [she woul]d not suffer them tarry; and Jerome [we]nt into Buckinghamshire to my lord Montacute's house; and as for the other she cannot tell whither." *Signed.*

19. "Item* she [said] that communing of her son Geoffrey with the con[tro]ller of her house he said to her 'Take heed of h[im], Madame, for I fear me, Madame, one da[y he] will do you a displeasure.' 'Why, what [disple]asure?' saith she. 'Peradventure,' said h[e, 's]lyppe away.' 'Nay! Nay!' said she, 'he will not be so unhappy.'

"Item, she said, when she spake with the King his Grace he showed her how her son had written against him. Alas . . . . . thy what grief is this to me to see him whom . . . . . set up to be so ungracious and unhappy. And up[on th]is when her son Montague came home to her . . . . she said to him 'What hath the King shown me of [my] son? Alas, son, said she, what a child have I [in] him!' And then my lord Montague consay[led he]r to declare him as a traitor to their servan[ts], that they might so report him when they came in to their countries. And so she called her servants and declared unto them accordingly. She took her said son for a

* *In margin,* After she came to Cowdrey.

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traitor and for no son, and that she would never take him otherwise." *Signed.*

20. Protestation that all she has said is true. *Signed.*

21. "At Cowdrey :—Item, she being exami[ned touchin]g the copy of the letter found in her gentilw[oman's chest] saith and confesseth that her steward wrote [the sa]me letter to my lord Montacute by her consent, [bu]t not since he was in the Tower, but she cau[se]d it to be written since Sir Geoffrey was taken." *Signed.*

Pp. 8. *Mutilated and illegible. Each page signed at the bottom* Margaret (*or* Margret) Salysbery, *and sometimes separate articles are so signed, but the greater part of the signature is in most cases lost.*

819. The Countess of Salisbury's Papers.

R. O. Draft bill of Margaret countess of Salisbury for process in the Star Chamber against Henry Frowyk and John Basset, for cutting down her woods in Shenley, Herts.

Corrected draft, pp. 2.

R. O. 2. The title of the countess of Sarum to the manor of Wyke in cos. Midd., and Essex.

John Wolston and Ric. Philyp, being seised of the manor as of fee, gave it to Sir Ric. Nevell and Alice his wife, countess of Sarum, and the heirs of the said Alice, on whose decease it descended to lady Margaret, now countess of Salisbury, as cousin and heir of the said Alice, *i.e.* sister of Edward, s. of Isabel, d. of Richard, s. and h. of the said Alice.

ii. Title of Marg. countess of Sarum to the lordship of Ware, Herts.

Thomas earl of Kent, being seised of the said lordship as cousin and heir to John lord Wake, *i e*, s. of Joan d. of Margaret d. of the said John lord Wake, had issue Thomas, Edmund, Alienor, Joan, Margaret, Alienor, and Elizabeth; and died leaving Thomas his s. and h., who died without issue, and the lordship descended to his brother Edmund, on whose death his lands descended to the said Alienor, Joan, Marg., Alienor and Eliz., his sisters and heirs. The said first named Alienor was married to the earl of Marche; the said Joan, duchess of York, was married to Sir Wm. Wylugthby; the said Margaret to John earl of Somerset; the said second Alienor to Thomas earl of Salisbury, and the said Eliz. to Sir John Nevell. On partition among them of the lands of the said Edmund the lordship of Ware, [a court called the court of the honour of Broune held yearly at Hertford, the manor of Eston juxta Colyweston, Northt., the pastures of Ledryngham, Calfrost, Weldrynghan, and Thornestoneflatt, Yorks.]* were allotted to the said Thomas earl of Salisbury and Alienor his wife. On the death of the said Thomas and Alienor the lordship descended to Edward late earl of Salisbury, cousin and h. of the said Alienor, *i.e.*, s. of Isabell, sister to Anne d. of Ric. s. of Alice d. and h. to the said Alienor countess of Sarum. The said Edward was attainted of high treason. The said lady Margaret [now]† countess of Salisbury, as his sister and heir, was restored in blood by Statute 5 Hen. VIII. with restitution of lands; so the King ought not to have the said lordship of Ware, as heir to the right excellent princess Margaret, late countess of Richmond. Further, the said countess saith the late countess of Richmond and Derby had no estate in the said lordship but for term of her life, as appears by the letters patent thereof by our late King Henry VII.

Paper roll of 3 *sheets written on one side only.*

R. O. 3. Abstract of Henry VIII.'s title to the manors of Ware and Canforde.

Proving that Margaret, now countess of Salisbury, who was in 5 Henry VIII. restored to the lands of her brother, has no claim upon Ware and Canford.

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R. O. 4. Notes of grants, Acts of Parliament, and inquisitions bearing upon the title to the castles and manors of Trombrige (*sic*), Alderbury, Ambresbury, and Winterborne, Wilts., Canford, Dors., and Hengstrege and Charleton, Somers.

* Crossed out. † Inserted but crossed out.

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Commencing at the 11 Edw. III. with grant of the said lands to William Monte Acuto and ending in 5 Hen. VIII. with the restoration of Margaret, "now countess of Sarum," to the possessions of her brother Edward earl of Warwick.

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R. O. 5. Draft indenture witnessing that Wm. Grene of Bruton, Dors., has paid Margaret countess of Sarum 15 years' rent of the manor of Rekeley (*or* Rokeley) which he acknowledges to hold from her.

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13 Nov. **820.** The State Prisoners.

R. O. Mrs. Couper, wife to Robert Couper of London, goldsmith, confessed the following sayings, 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

(I.) That one —— (*blank*) Eleys, yeoman of the horse to the marquis of Exeter, oftentimes resorting to her husband's house for making and garnishment of horse harness, was wont to say to her, "What do you with these new books of heresy in English? Well! Well! There will a day come that will pay for all." She asked what day that should be. He replied, "The day will come there shall be no more wood spent upon you heretics, but you will be tied together, sacked, and thrown into Thames." She asked who would handle them so, and on his answering, "The bp. of London," she said, "We care not for the bishop of London, thanked be God and our Gracious King; but would to God my Lord your master would read the Gospel in English, and suffer his servants to do the same." On this Eleys, swearing a great oath, said, "If my Lord know any of his servants either to have any of these books in English, or to read any of the same they shall never do him any longer service." At this communication were present one —— Gates and other of my Lord's servants.

II. Another copy of the preceding.

III. Information by Robert Couper of London, goldsmith, of the conversation that took place between —— Baynard, a servant of the King's within the Tower, and —— Goodwyn, in a boat which he entered at Paul's Wharf on the 13 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.:— Baynard said "We have great pain in watching of these naughty men lately brought into the Tower. Would to God every man would know their duties to God and their Prince." On this Couper asked him whether Sir Geoffrey Poole were dead or alive, and what he heard of that naughty fellow Poole his brother beyond sea. Baynard answered that he had been lately made bishop of Rome "by composition for a colour." "How know you that"? said Couper, "I have heard it," said Baynard, "of great men." Couper asked "Of whom"? and he said "Of some of my lord Privy Seal's house." Then said Goodwen, "I have heard as much as this comes to, for the Council doth know this thing well enough." "I pray you," said Couper, "How do you know they know it?" "By the ambassadors and others" said Goodwyn. "Then," said Baynard, "There was one in our house prisoner who being delivered by the King's favour and sent to the said Poole beyond sea, to show unto him the King's pleasure, doth yet there remain, and now is one of the greatest in favour with him." Couper asked his name, and Baynard replied "Frogmerton."

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13 Nov. **821.** Touching Lord Delaware.

R. O. Sir Henry Owen, examined 13 Nov., says that he has many times heard lord Delaware openly say that he liked not this world of plucking down abbeys and that he has openly spoken against sundry statutes passed

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by Parliament, and that a time would come when God would punish this plucking down of abbeys and the reading of these new English books. He has known much familiarity to have been between the marquis of Exeter and the lord De la Warr, and many [presents] to have been "sent from the one to thother, and th[at Crofte the] prist hathe kept in his howse att [the first departing] of the vi[car of Estm[ay]n certayn servants [of] his how . . . he sayeth also thatt ther is, and [hath been ve]ry [moche fam]eliarite between the said Croft[e, Colyns chapleyn to] the lorde [Mo]ntacute and Steph[en, chaplen to the lor]de Marques [of Exeter].

P. 1. *Very mutilated. Words lost supplied from No.* 829 (4).

13 Nov. **822.** GEORGE CROFTES.

R. O. "xiij die Novembris anno prædicto."

"The said Crofte, upon further examination, sayeth that at the time of the last insurrection th[is examin]att rode to Sir Geoffrey Poole's house to Luftington, and there [found the] said Sir Geoffrey taking a muster of men to go with [him Northwards; at which] time he showed this examinat, I must go Northwards, but I will shift [for one] well enough if they come to fighting, I [w]yll save [one]. This examinat saying to him again, Well, if you int[end] so you were best to have a good horse under you. [He saith also that] at the same time, because Sir Henry Owen had spoken [many words] openly against this examinat, of the which, as soon as they came to the knowledge [of the] lord Delawarre he made this examinat privy thereof, and counselled this examinat to go with such strength as he was able to make [to the] Court and to offer his service to the King; whereupon this ex[aminat came to] the Court and there abode to the end was made of that business, [and] after returned home again, showing the lord Delaware all such news and all the [whole] process as he had heard, as well touching the causes of the beginning, as [means] of the ending of, the said insurrection. And being examined what answer the said lord Delaware made thereunto, and what he had heard him speak at any time touching the said insurrection, answereth, Nothing, saving that he heard the lord Delaware lament the said insurrection and rejoice when the same was ended."

Says also that when the Act of Uses was passed lord Delaware showed him of it, saying it was a very sore Act, and that he grudged much at it. When the rumour came to England that Reynold Pole would take upon him to be cardinal, Colyns the priest showed this examinat that the lady of Salisbury and the lord Montacute had written to the said Reynold not to do so, and he had answered, little esteeming them or any other in that matter; also that both the letters and the answer were shown to the Council. Colyns thought those letters well and godly written and allowed them very well. Sir Geoffrey Pole also showed him that a bishop who had been French ambassador in England and afterwards at Rome, noted much the behaviour of card. Pole, and wrote a very long letter to the French ambassador in England in commendation of him, and that there was no such man living as he was, and that all men were but shadows in comparison with him; "and that he was ever ready to excuse the King in all things, saying that in such things as were done in England against the s[ee o]f Rome the fault was only in the Council and none [in the King], and that the said Sir Geoffrey showed this examinat that the [Fren]she ambassador showed those letters to the King's Highness, and that the King, hearing them, said it was much pity that such a man as the said Cardinal was should be blinded so that he could not see the truth. He sayeth also that a little before Whitsuntide was twelvemonths, because one Hoberden in communication at this examinat's table, had said that the cardinal Poole, which was then in France, should be brought into England by violence before Whitsunday, this examinat at the

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same Whitsun holidays meeting with Sir Geoffrey, asked him whether he heard any tidings how his brother the Cardinal did. The said Sir Geoffrey asking again "Wherefore ask you? 'Marry,' said this examinat, "I think he is taken; for one Huberden showed me he should be in England against his will by this time." 'No,' said the said Sir Geoffrey, 'he is out of danger of the King and French king too. Hugh Hollande hath been with him and brought me word from him.' And being examined whether the said Sir Geoffrey at any time opened any message sent to him or to any other from the said Cardinal or not, answereth, None to his remembrance. He sayeth also that at such time as the said Sir Geoffrey told him that he would flee the realm, of which he spake before, he said also he would have had his son with him."

Pp. 2, *mutilated and in parts illegible. Words lost supplied from No.* 829 II.

R. O. 2. Original record of the continuation of the above as given in No. 829 II., commencing "He saith also [that he] hath heard it spoken four or five times but of whom he knoweth not," &c., and ending "and never opened the same to any other person touching the confederacy." *Signed:* Per me Georgium Crofte.

P. 1, *mutilated and faded.*

13 Nov. **823.** DONCASTER, WHITE FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender of the house and all its possessions in England, Wales, and Ireland, and the marches thereof. 13 Nov. 1538, 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Edw. Stubbis, prior, *and 7 others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 18.]

Not sealed.

13 Nov. **824.** HUSSEY'S LANDS.

R. O. Receipt given by Sir Wm. Parr to Dr. Hall, receiver of attainted lands in Lincolnshire, for 6*l.*, received by the hand of Giles Wykeley, Parr's servant, for his whole year's fee of the stewardship of lord Hussey's lands. *Dated* 13 Nov. 30 Henry VIII.

P. 1. *Signed and sealed. Endd:* Lord Parr.

13 Nov. **825.** [WRIOTHESLEY] to SIR THOS. WYAT.

Cott. App. L. 71. B. M. Ellis 2*d*. S. II. 108. Writes hastily by this post, who is waiting for the letter, that on Monday evening the 4th, the marquis of Exeter and lord Montague were committed to the Tower. The King, though he had passed over many accusations made by their own domestics, was constrained to arrest them to defeat their malice both against his person and the surety of my lord Prince. The accusations against them are of great importance, and proved by substantial witnesses; yet the King loves them so well, and is so loth to proceed against them, that it is doubted what he will do. Bruxells,* 13 Nov.

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *At the head, now slightly mutilated and the first word lost, appears to have been written:* [Mr] Wiatt.

14 Nov. **826.** GEORGE CROFTE.

R. O. Original record of the third examination of George Crofte [taken 14 Nov.]† as in No. 829 III.

Signed in three places: Per me Georgium Crofte. *The first of these signatures comes before the passage about lord Delaware dismissing*

* Originally written "the xij"; corrected "xiij."

† The date is here lost by mutilation.

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servants, and the second before the passage (illegible here from mutilation), about his having counselled lord Delaware to persevere in the old opinions; these having been separate additions.

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14 Nov. **827.** EXAMINATIONS.

R. O. 1. Of John Collins.

His third examination. Dated at the head: 14 Nov.

The said Collins further says that he has heard lord Montacute much praise the learning of cardinal Pole, and say that he trus[ted] he should do good one day. Lord Montacute further said that the French king had played an honest part with the said Cardinal, and that lord Montacute had much lamented this world, and feared that there should be a lack of honest men, "and this, this examinat sayeth he hath heard in the great chamber at Bockmar, and walking in the garden there, since that the said cardinal Poole was last in France, and shortly after his departing from thence. He [saye]th also that he hath heard the said lord Monta[cute wa]lking in a garden at Buckmar about the escaping of the cardinal Poole, say that knaves rules about the King, and that he trusted the world would amend, and that they should have a day upon these knaves one day, and honest men should rule about the King one day." Says also he heard, about the same time, lord Montacute say that this world would come to stripes one day. Also when the abbeys were first plucked down, having communication with lord Montacute and Sir Geoffrey Poole on that matter, examinate said that both the King and the lord Privy Seal would hang in Hell for that matter. Also about Palm Sunday was twelve months the same three conversing together, lord Montacute wished that all the conversation between them about the King, card. Pole, change of the world, and plucking down of abbeys should be kept secret. Heard also lord Montacute say he trusted to see the abbeys up again one day. Has heard him very much praise the marquis of Exeter, saying that he was a very noble man and one of very good mind and good courage. Thinks if any change should have been, lord Montacute would have had a very assured friend of the lord Marquis. Has heard Sir Geoffrey [Po]le say that cardinal Pole should marry the lady [Mary]. Has thought when communication has been of change, that the said lady Mary would have a title to the Crown one day. *Signed:* Jhon Colyns.

Pp. 2. *Slightly mutilated.*

R. O. 2. Of Jasper Horsey. *Date at head* [14 Nov.] *lost by mutilation.*

Confesses "that he w[as] present with the lad[y Marquis], then being in a disguised apparel, at Canterbury w[ith the Nun] there, but this examinat saith [he was] not present at any [communic]ation [be]tween the said lady Marquis an[d the n]oon; howbeit he saw the said noon, and a monk called Bocking in a noonrye [at] Canterbury at dinner, at which time the said lady Marquis dined with the said [no]on and Doctor Bocking." The nun was at Horsely another time, but he saw her not. Heard she had a trance there. Has seen one Golde, a priest, many times resort to the said lord Marquis' house, but for what intent he knows not. Has seen the lord Montacute, the Master of the Horses, and Sir Edw. Nevell, many times resort to the said house, as well when the Marquis was at home as when the lady Marquis was at home and the Marquis absent. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Mutilated and injured by damp. The lost words are supplied from Nos.* 830 (2 I.) *and* 831 IV.

R. O. 3. Of Wm. Brent, 14 Nov.

Says that he has seen one Thomas Footeman, servant to the lord Marquis, at the lord Montacute's house, but knows not the cause of his coming. Also, has

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seen the superscription of letters directed by lord Montacute to the lady Marquis which one Tyrell used to carry, but knows nothing of what was contained in them. Heard lord Montacute say since his imprisonment that he had rather live there in prison than abroad in suspicion, and that "he had lived in prison all these six years, ever since h[e perceived] his brother hath taken this way. He sayeth also t . . . . [hath at] sundry times this summer borne from the lord Montacute [to Mrs. Darrell] three letters, but of the contents of those letters he knowe[th nothing]."

Signature mutilated.

ii. Upon further examination, says he has seen lord Montacute many times burn letters, and has had letters of his in keeping which he delivered to the said lord Montacute, who used to burn or cast into the jakes many of them. He says also he has many times seen Colyns, the priest, and Jerome Ragland commune with lord Montacute in his closet and other places secretly, but what they communed or did he knows not. Says also that he "hath seen the lord Montacute [at Sir Geoffrey Poole's house], at Luftington, and hath seen the said lord Montacute [and] Sir Geoffrey Pole alone [walk] forth in the gardens and fields adjoining to the house, but what communication they have had this examinat knoweth not." *Signed:* Wyllyam Bre[nt].

P. 1. *Mutilated and illegible from damp. Mutilations partly supplied from No.* 830 (2 IV.).

R. O. 4. [Further deposition of John Colyns].

"My lord Montagu saying to me of the book sent to the King by his brother."

He said the book contained the history of a dumb child, who when he saw his father in great danger "burst out and spake and bade his father beware," and so the Cardinal in his book said nature burst out and spake in him.

As to Hierome, he has heard as much as I of my Lord, for he was with him many times "when I was [no]tt,[an]d my Lord, I knowel, told him as we . . . . . l . . d me, for he and I have talked . . . . . [o]f such matters as my Lord and I [have commu]ned off as off thys boke off Sir . . the car . . . . . he hathe talked with me, and he hathe rehersyd . . . . . and begynnynge theroff; he knew also off t[he letters] to the Kynge, to the lorde Preavy Sele and to [the bi]shop of Dyrram of the change (?) off the . . . . . have trusted ons thatt ytt schuld . . . . . suppressynge off the the abbayes . . . . . churchys and namely the churche of . . . . . that rulythe (?) a bow[t] the Kynge he . . . . . o[r] dyd natt helpyt and att the . . . . . Dyrrams letters Hierome was bye w . . . . . cast it in to the fyre and made wyse . . . . . "

P. 1. *In Colyns' hand. Very mutilated and illegible. Endd.*

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R. O. [Examination of Geo. Croftes].

Q. "Of your communications with the lord De Laware touching the statutes and proceedings of this realm?" *A.* I had none, saving that in February last, declaring to me his last will and testament, he showed me "that a certain of lands" that he would leave for the performance th[ereof] "was of such nature that it would abarr the Statu[te of] Uses." *Q.* With Sir Geoff. Pole touching the bp. of London? *A.* None beyond what I have deposed, saving that he rehearsed to me part of the last sermon he preached at Paul's shortly aft[er he] had preached it. *Q.* [With the s]ame touching Sir Thos. [More], the late bp. of Rochester, and the Charterhouse monks? *A.* I have heard him rehearse how, and how patiently, they died. I have asked him if one might without jeopardy have More's books in keeping. He said

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"Yea, for they treated not of the King's matters," and lent me a chronicle of More's making of Richard III. *Q.* With him or others touching plucking down of abbeys? *A.* I always thought the life of religious men such that God of his justice could send them no less punishment. Sir Geoffrey lamented the pulling down of Byshame because his kin and ancestors lay there. I said to Ric. Themew at Tychefyld it was right to save the walls of the church there for use. I have said the going abroad of religious men would bring slander upon priesthood, because the bishops regarded not their learning nor manners, "seeing they should keep the cloister." *Q.* With Freend, Langley or others of the chu[rch of Ch]ichester "touching . . em of the p . . . . . ?" *A.* Has said the payment of first-fruits was a grievous "joyke," but cannot remember any communications with them about it. *Q.* With Sir Geoffrey or others touching cardinal Pole? *A.* "Coming up[on the] way with Trase," I said of him that evidently for mere promotion he "toke the byshope of Romys pa[rt, and th]at yf I had byn of hys crupelosite of consciens the por[est l]evyng shuld rather have satysfyid me" than I would have given the King occasion to take displeasure with my brethren and friends, and it was pity the Cardinal ever was born. *Q.* With any one touching religion? *A.* Dr. Trobulfyld coming a fortnight hence from London told me and my brethren that a certain prior or warden of Friars before he would avoid his house would needs see the Visitor's commission; which specified that the King was content they should go abroad to get their living as they desired, seeing that they desired it and the people had "no devotion" to give them a living. This the friar denied, and so saved his house; and so, we judged, the friars with us might have done. I have said it was well to take the great possessions from religious men, but they should be suffered to remain in their houses with a poor living if they would. *Q.* With [lord] Delaware touching the lord [Montacute and the] lord Marques? *A.* I remember none. I am of "noe famylyar accquey[ntance with the say]de ij lords." *Q.* [With] Colyns, the priest, touching the vic[ar of East Meon?], cardinal Pole or the lord . . . . . ? *A.* It is so long since I spoke to Colyns that I forget. I know of no letters between the said persons since Colyns went to lord Mowntagew's service. *Q.* What letters you have known written by Sir Geoffrey or Colyns to cardinal Pole or the vicar of Estmayn? *A.* I know of none. Hugh Holonde told me two years ago he had spoken with the "vycary" of Est Mayne, who had him commended to me, "and likewise did" the vicar's brother-in-law,* who came up a prisoner with me.

Confesses he was consulted by Sir Geoffrey and his wife when Sir Geoffrey was determined to go over sea. Wrote to Sir Geoffrey next morning that Our Lady had appeared and warned him to show Sir Geoffrey that his departing the realm would destroy all his kin. A fortnight after asked John Colens to get lord Montague to see Sir Geoffrey's debts paid, which were "a great occasion for him to flee." A way was taken by Montague, and his debts, amounting to a great sum, were paid.

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R. O. 2. Morgan Wells, examined.

Has said openly he "would kill with a hand-gun Peter Meotes or any other whom he should know to kill the cardinal Pole, and that he was going over seas for that purpose." Has said so to Colens, lord Montacute's chaplain, and others; Colens bade him "be of good mind and make a cross in his forehead." It was rumoured at lord Montacute's house that the said Cardinal should be killed with a hand-gun. First heard it from George Legg, servant to lord Hastings. Was at Bokmar this last summer when

* "Mr. Lawe" in No. 829 1.

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Hugh Holland and one Ayre came thither, and it was said in Bokmar that Ayer should open the said Holland's going over seas. Colyns, a priest, about Corpus Christi tide last rode from Bokmar and came suddenly again. Knows not where he went. Hierome Ragland, Thos. Nanfant and Wm. Brent, now waiting upon lord Montacute in the Tower, were most of counsel with the said lord, especially Hierome, who was as it were his right hand. There was a bruit in lord Montacute's house that the cardinal Pole "should do them all good one day" and examinate has openly said so among his fellows. Tyrrrell has often ridden forth; he knows not whither, but thinky if any man went to the lord Marquis it was Tyrell, who would never say where he went, but always declared he would be home the same night. Has seen one Thomas Foo[tman], servant to the [lord Marquis, many times at] Bokmar, espec[ially this last] summer, but knows nothing of his errand.

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R. O. I. Copy of the examination of George Croftes [12 Nov.] as in No. 803.

It then proceeds:†—And moreover he confesses that Hugh Holland told him two years past he had spoken with the vicar of Estmayne, who wished to be commended to this examinate. The vicar's brother, Mr. Lawe, who came up a prisoner with this examinate, also did commend him. Sir Geoffrey Pole in his study showed examinate he would depart the realm for safeguard of his life, and called his wife to the council. Urged him to the contrary, but could not persuade him, but he would begone with the next wind. Took leave of him, and delivered him 20 nobles. Next morning wrote to him "affirming that he had t[he most marvellous dream that ni]ght that ever he had in his ly[fe, and that he thought our La]die did appear unto him and she[wed] hy[m that it shou]lde [be] the destruction of the said Sir Geoffrey and of [all hi]s kin if he departed the realm. And that within four . . . . . ‡ after this examinate told Master John Colyns that h[e had stay]ed the said Sir Geoffrey and required him that he [would by his] wisdom cause the lord Montacute his master to se[e the said Sir] Geoffrey Pole's debts paid; for this examinat saith [that he fea]red lest that should be a great occasion for him to [flee. Where]upon he saith that there was a way taken by the sa[id lo]rde Montacute that all his said debts amounting to a great [sum] were paid, as he thinketh."

II. Copy of the examination of Croftes on the 13th Nov. as in No. 822 (1 and 2). The text of the continuation (written consecutively here) is as follows:—§

He saith also he has heard four or five times when he was at the Court that "the lady of Salisbury if she had right should be countess of Warwick and Salisbury, and that the lord Marquis of Exeter should have half [the earldom of the Marches. He] sayth also [th]at Sir Anthony Seynt[monte showed him that he had n]ede to beware of Sir Henry Owen, [and how that the said] Sir Henry had spoken to one Thomas [A]len [to accuse this] examynat to the lorde Privy Seal that he h[ad spoken] many villanous words by queen Anne; and that [the said Sir] Henry Owen had bid the said Thomas Alen [show] the lord Privy Seal that this examynat could te[ll marvellous t]hings of a great confederacy between the lord Mar[qu]es of [Exeter], the lord Montacute, the lord Chamberlain and lord [De]laware,

* The papers under this heading constitute only one document, although Arabic figures are used for the larger sections.

† The mutilations in this continuation are supplied from No. 830 III.

‡ No. 830 III. reads "within fornyght after."

§ The words in brackets are supplied from No. 822 (1 and 2).

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and that this examynat should be a common [mes]senger between them." Forgets whether the earl of Oxford was also named amongst them. Thos. Alen replied to Sir Henry Owen that he would not open these things because he saw they were spoken of malice. At Whitsuntide last examinate thanked Alen for this. Examined whether he opened this that Sir Anth. Seyntmount showed him to the lord Delaware; says he never showed it to him or any other.

In another hand: He says also that after the statute for the abolition of the bp. of Rome's authority nothing grieved him so much as to give the oath taking the King as Supreme Head.

III. 14 Nov. anno predicto:—

" Idibus Novembris duobus diebus exceptis
Britannie terra renovabitur nova trophea
Post quatuor centum cum mille semel et unum
Et triplex x octo etas completur in Christo
Tunc erunt Angli honoribus cito privati.

" The sa[id Croftes further sayeth that he is] in his stomach the same man [in all opinions that he was xx year]es pa[st]e; and that such statutes and o[rdinances as have since] that ty[me] passed contrary to that old order [which then] w[as] used in the [C]hurche have ever grudged his [conscience]. He saith also that at the beginning when the statute [was a-ma]king for the abolishment of the bishop [of Rome's a]uthority this examinate once showed the lord Delaw]are th]at it was a mad thing to go about by making of a [law] to make men believe that in England the contrary whe[re]of was believed in all places of the world." When the said statute was newly passed, was minded to have fled the realm, and some rumour being spread thereof lord Delaware wrote to him exhorting him to conform; for if he should flee he would be had again wheresoever he were. Whenever he has heard preaching against pilgrimages, honouring of images, praying to saints, &c., he has declared himself to lord Delaware as of the contrary opinion to that preaching, and in all old customs of the Church to be of the old opinions. Counselled lord Delaware to put from his service a keeper and another servant named Thatcher, a skinner, because they were of the new opinions. Lord Delaware put them away, and one Vaughan, another servant, was put away with them. Has " at divers times so declared [his opinions] . . . . . that the [said] lord Delaware [might perceive that he] would have him persevere and cont[inue in such opinions] as heretofore were wont to be used in the Church. [And because] he perceived the said lo[rd] Delaware never wavered in [any of they]m, this examinat never counselled him much to stick [in it; but] he saith that if he had perceived that the said lord Delaware [had] begun to waver he then was in mind [to h]ave earnestly [c]oun[selled a]nd exhorted him to stick unto it."*

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2. . . . . [Novemb]er:—" John [Colyns, priest, parson of Rushale, in] the county of Southampshire, examined, saye[th that about the feast of Corpus Christi] then last past, upon a certain Fryd[ay, this examinate, being at Bock]mar with the lord Montacute, his master, w[as at that time] sent by Sir Geoffrey Poole, then being also at Bock[mar, to the s]ayd Sir Geoffrey's house called Luftingt[on] to burn his letters [there]. Wher[eup]on this examinat the next day following went thither and [burne]d certain letters there, the contents of which he knoweth not, saving that one of them was sent from the vicar of Estmayn, and that certain Popish prayers were contained amongst them." The lady Pole was present at the burning of the letters. Was present with lord Montacute and Sir

* The mutilations in this deposition have been for the most part supplied from two other copies.

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Geoffrey about midsummer last at Halfnakyd, the lord Delaware's house, and they came from thence "both together" to Chichester townes end, where Sir Geoffrey tarried and lord Montacute rode to Warblington. Further, after the burning of the letters, lord Montacute and Sir Geoffrey came together to London. At midsummer before the said burning lord Montacute was with the lady of Salisbury, and from her came to Bockmar. Has heard at Bockmar of Hugh Holland being beyond seas with letters, it was rumoured, to card. Pole. Holland was at Buckmar about the same time, and the discussing of his often going beyond seas was by one Ayer to Tyndall, and by Tyndall to the priest of Havant. After the burning of the said letters, came back to Alton the same night and next day to Bockmar. "At his return the lord Montacute was gone to London, a[nd within four or five days came to Boc]kmar again. [An]d being ex[amined whether the lord Mon]tacute at his return asked him any th[ing] o[f the burning of the sa]yd letters, answereth, Nothing to his remembrance. [He saith al]so that he hath heard the lord Montacute many times say th[at he had] no mind to Warblington." After [he] ha[d burned] the said letters he met Sir Geoffrey at Warblington [and] showed him that according to his pleasure he had burned his letters. On better remembrance, thinks he showed lord Montacute he had burned Sir Geoffrey's said letters. At his aforesaid going to Luftington, Sir Geoffrey delivered him a ring for a token to his wife, willing her to bring him to his (Sir Geoffrey's) study to burn the letters of the vicar of Estmayn and others. Doctor Sterkey's man delivered examinate letters from the vicar of Estmayn from Wyttenberg, desiring him to deliver certain candlesticks, surplices, and other trifles. There was nothing else in the letters. Morgan once showed him he would kill with a hand-gun whoever should kill the Cardinal. Bade him take heed what he did. Told this to Sir Geoffrey. On returning from burning the letters at Sir Geoffrey Pole's, his master, lord Montacute, asked him where he had been. Said, at Luftington, where he had burnt the letters he was sent to burn. Lord Montacute asked how lady Pole did. Replied that she did "as a woman in her case might, meaning that she was in heaviness, for such news as was of h[er husband, Sir Geoffrey, and opening] of Hugh Holland's going over seas. He saith [also that among the letters burn]yd in Sir Geoffrey Poole's house there was [one, copy of an epistle sent to the E]mperor's ambassador, wherein the said Sir Geoffrey [desired the ambass]ador [to] bee good to the vicar of Estmayn. There was also one [bundle of lettr]es written from the bishop of London to the said Sir Geoffrey, [and this exami]nat redd but one of the said letters, wherein the said bishop [wrote th]att [his] comptroller the bishop of Rochester had been with him to [have a]ppointed one to preach at Paul's Cross, and that he had awn[swere]d that he would preach himself." There was also a little scroll from the vicar of Estmayn to Hugh Holland directing that if the said Hugh came not to Louvain that summer he should send any letters for the vicar to a friar Observant at Antwerp who would see them conveyed. There was a letter containing that Dr. Latimer, "then being no bishop," had sent a crown to a man beyond the seas. When he told this to Sir Geoffrey, Sir Geoffrey said 'What, have you burned that also? Those letters were shown before the Council, and my lord of Norfolk told me I might keep those letters well enough.' Has often heard the lord Montacute say he liked not the proceedings in the realm. George Tyrell was often sent from lord Montacute to the lord Marquis, but he knows not what letters or messages Tyrell carried. Lord Montacute often said he was sorry for the death of lord Abergavenny. Knows not whether lord Montacute's son knew of the aforementioned letters, but he knew that examinate at that time went to Sir Geoffrey's house. John Fowell, of Warblington, went over to Louvain to the vicar of Estmayn for a certificate of his being there. Heard

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that lord Montacute and Sir Geoffrey rode together to lord Stafford's, but was not at that time with them.

"*The sa[id Colyns being further] examined, saith that Sir Geof[frey Pole showed this examinat walkin]g [in the] court att [War]blington abow[te midsummer was twelve month]s that Hugh Holland had been over the seas [with] card[inall Pole, and that] he had brought kny[v]es for a token to John Walker, b[ut he had n]ott delivered them himself, whereof the said Sir Geoffry [said he wa]s glad, for if Hugh had delivered the knyves he should have [opene]d more matter also." Asked what matter was that? And Sir Geoffrey said "he should have bid John Walker have c[ome over sea]s to my brother." Sir Geoffrey showed him no more of Holland's message, and he never showed lord Montacute of this communication. About Christmas last lord Montacute showed examinate letters from cardinal Pole to the King and the lord Privy Seal, and the copy of another to the bp. of Durham, saying "Ye shall see he has been plain and opened his mind plainly unto them." Read the letters and gave those to the King and the lord Privy Seal back to lord Montacute, but kept that to the bp. of Durham till Corpus Christi tide last when lord Montacute asked for it and burned it. Speaking of the said letters examinate said the Cardinal "wrote somewhat roughly to the lord Privy Seal. "Marry! I warrant you," said the said lord Montacute "he utteretb his mind plainly." Lord Montacute asked examinate's judgment of the letters to the bp. of Durham. Said he (the Cardinal) "had sufficiently answered to all the bishop of Durham's reasons, saving that he did not well perceive how he had avoided the first argument made by him. [He sayeth also that the lord Montacute] showed him two letters brought over by [one Belson, the King then lyin]g at Dover, written by the said card[inal Pole to the lady of S]alisber[y] and the lord Montacute, the [contents of which] he doth [not]† now remember, but he saith he once in [communication sho]wed Master Croftes of them and the contents of them. A[nd at that t]yme he remembreth well he said they were well [and godly wr]itten, because he took the fault from his mother [and br]other, and laid the same upon himself." Received letters from the vicar of Estmayne of the election of cardinal Pole. They were sent from London, but he knows not who brought them over the seas. Lord Montacute said, walking by the church at Bockmar, it would be a strange world as words were made treason. Last summer delivered a coffer of his own and other written sermons to the vicar of Medmedham. Now, on the imprisonment of lord Montacute, told the vicar to burn all the said writings if examinate were sent for. Heard lord Montacute say at Bisham he was sent for at Parliament time that his mother should give up her title in the earldom of Warwick. Told lord Montacute that Mr. Croftes said Sir Geoffrey Pole would go over seas because he was indebted. Lord Montacute answered he had provided to stay that matter, and many of the debts were discharged.

[*The words lost in this MS. are supplied from the original deposition, No.* 830 (3).]

ii. Collins' further examination, 14 Nov. as in No. 827.

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3. Examination of Elizabeth [Darell], as in No. 766.

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4. Examination of Sir Henry Owen, as in No. 821.

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* This is a further examination, the original of which is dated 13 Nov.

† Omitted here, and also in the original deposition, No. 830 (3), but supplied in No. 830 (1 ii.).

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R. O. Copies of depositions as follows, viz. :—

i. The seven examinations of Sir Geoffrey Pole. *See* No. 804.

ii. The three examinations of John Colyns, priest, ..., 13 and 14 Nov. *See* § 3 *and* Nos. 829 (2), 827.

iii. The three examinations of George Crofts, clerk, taken [12, 13, and 14] Nov. *See* Nos. 803, 822, and 829. (Transcribed apparently from the last, and containing the same additions.)

iv. The three examinations of the lady Marquis (*mutilated*). *See* Nos. 765, 804 III.

v. Lord Montacute's examination [7] Nov. *See* No. 772.

vi. The first and second examinations of Sir Edw. Nevell (*second very mutilated*). *See* No. 804 IV.

vii. Examination of Eliz. Darell. *See* No. 766.

viii. Examination of Sir Harry Owen (*mutilated*). *See* No. 821.

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R. O. 2. Copies of depositions as follows :—

i. Of Jasper Horsey, examined 14 Nov. [30] Henry VIII. *See* No. 827 (2).

ii. Of Constance Bontayn, taken 12 Nov. *See* No. 802.

iii. Of Dame Constance, wife to Sir Geoff. Poole, taken 11 Nov. *See* No. 796.

iv. Of Wm. Brent, taken 14 Nov. *See* No. 827 (3).

v. Of George Tyrrell [8 Nov.] *See* No. 779.

vi. Of Morgan Wells. *See* No. 828 (2).

vii. Of Mrs. Couper, 12 Nov. *See* No. 820.

Pp. 10. *Much mutilated.*

R. O. 3. Original record of the first and second examinations of Colyns. (*See* § 1, ii.) *Each page signed :* Jhon Colyns.

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R. O. 4. Notes from depositions.

" Geoffray Pole :—" Item, ... the Kyng was a . . . . . the Kyngz palays at Westm. an . . . . . Sir Edwarde* wolde saye th . . . . . sytte slepyng, ye and some t[imes] . . . . . slepe etyng lyke a beeste.

" Item, the seide Sir Edwa[rde] . . . . . Sir Geoffray, Be mery . . . . . chaunge oone daye. And th . . . . . we shall have a daye upo[n] . . . . . these words hathe he spoken u . . . . . of Westminster, and also diverse tym[es] . . . . . waye within these twoo yeres."

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R. O. 5. Articles against the prisoners, taken from their own confessions, with marginal references to folios in some book of depositions :—

i. *Headed :* To be given in evidence.

" Sir Geoffrey Pole sayeth that Croftes hath declared to him that they did like well the proceedings of the card. Pole and misliked the proceedings of this realm and wished for a change of this world." *Signed :* Geffrey Pole.

Sir Geoffrey showed Croftes of Hugh Holland's going to the Cardinal, and Croftes exhorted Sir Geoffrey to go over sea, " saying that it was the Cardinal that should do good [one] day, and gave Sir Geoffrey 20 nobles towards his charges, saying, ' Go. Ye may be able to do good another day.' "

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And within two days after Croftes wrote to Geoffrey that he had a vycyon in t[he n]yght from Our Lady that he should do better here than if he went over sea; and thereupon Sir Geoffrey paid the 20 nobles again." (*In margin:* folio 5). *Signed by Sir Geoffrey.*

"Item, this is affirmed by Croftes' confession. (*Margin* :* fo. 11).

"Item, it appeareth by Croftes' confession (fo. 12) that Geoffrey Pole said to him, I must go Northward, but I will shift for one well enough; and if they come to fighting, I will save one. Then said Croftes, If you will do so, then take a good horse under you.

"Item, Croftes prophesied.

"Item [Sir Geo]ffrey Pole saith that Croftes told him that the cardinal Pole shall one day restore the Church again.

"Item, hytt appeyryth by a letter by him sent to his father, which was since he was committed to the Tower, that he is the same manne [in] his heart concerning all things used in the Church as he was 20 years past, and that no act that ever he did more grieved his conscience than the oath which he took to renounce the bishop of Rome's authority; and that he would have done the best to have hid himself within this realm or else to have fled this realm. I neade reherse . . . . . to procure me s . . . . . [mo]st shameful death if you my Lord (?), schold be my juge. And also confessed himself t[o b]e a [t]raytour ageynst the Kyng.

["Item,] Croftes confessyon affyrmyth the same to be true."

ii. Colyns' confession.

1. He confesses he was sent by [Sir Geoffrey] to his house called Luffyngton to burn his [letters] there, and did so. 2. That he had read two letters from cardinal Pole (fos. 9 and 10 of second examination), the one to the King and the other to the lord Privy [Seal], and had never disclosed the same till now. 3. That this last summer (fo. 10, second exam.) he delivered a coffer of his sermons and other writings to the vicar of Meddenham, and after the taking of the lord Montague told the vicar to burn them if he was imprisoned. 4. That the lord Montague said to him (fo. 10) that knaves ruled about the King, and that he trusted the world would amend, and that they should have a day amongst these knaves one day; and also "This world will come to stripes one day." 5. That he (Colyns) said "that the King and the lord Privy Seal will hang in hell one day for the plucking down of abbeys." 6. That "in the communication of a change of the world he hath thought that the lady Mary should have a title to the Crown one day if any such change should happen." 7. It appears by the second article of his confession that [lord Monta]gue, at the later suppression of abbeys, said "I fear that within awhile they will pull down the parish churches also." 8. The said Colyns said, "I fear the same." 9. It appears in the 5th article that lord Montague said to Colyns after the insurrection was pacified "that it was noised [that t]heare sholbe a parlyament at York, and they theare to [h]ave a reformation of their requestes;" and said also that the time had been when nothing was surer than the promise of a prince, "but now they count it no promise but a great high policy to blind the people withal; but in case they should rise again he thought that the people will beware how they trust any such promise more; and Colyns thought the same." 10. It appears in the last article that lord Montague said to him that card. Wolsey was not so evil as men took him, for things are done now far worse, "and that he had been [a] honest man if he had had a honest master." 11. Colyns never disclosed this till now. 12. (*In Ric. Pollard's hand.*) "Item, hyt apperyth by Coly[ns] last confession that he had [fled over] see onely of . . . . . ff concevyd nuely by occasion of a rumor w^{ch} whas at the deth o[f the lat]e ladye Anne that the [ladye M]ary shuld b[e heir to th]e Crowne." *Each of the above articles signed* Jhon Colyns.

* These marginal notes to folios are from this point inserted in parentheses in the text.

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iii. Geoffrey Pole['s confession].

1. He says (fol. 1) "that . . . . . Nevill of these things* he he[rd Sir Edward Nevyll] say [that] he trusted the world would amend one day." 2 (fol. 5). He has heard Sir Edw. Nevill at Westminster most abominably deprave the King, saying that he was a beast and worse than a beast. 3 (fol. 6). That at [the King's] last being at Cowdrey, Sir Edw. Nevill said "Cousin, [let] us not be seen to speak togethers, for we be had in [suspicion; ye]t it forceth not, we shall do well enough one day." 4. That Sir Edw. Nevill showed him (f. 6) " . . . . . God's blood, I am made a fool among them, but I laugh and make merry to drive forth the time. The King keepeth a court of knaves here that we [dare no]ther loke nor speak, and I were able fo live I wolde rather [live any] lyfe in the world then tary in the pryvye Chamber." *Each of these articles signed by Sir Geoffrey Pole.*

iv. My lady Marques confesses in her first confession (fol. 15) "that she has heard Sir Edw. Nevill sing and say divers times that he trusted this world would amend one day, and that honest men shall rule one day;" also that Sir Edward showed her that Peter Mewtas was s[ent over] the sea to slay card. Pole. 2. She confesses in her second examination (fo. 6) "that [Sir Edwar]d Nevill came to her [and b]ad her be merry; whereunto she [m]ade answer, 'How can I be merry, for my lord is gone to battle, and he will be one of the foremost?' Then said Sir Edward, 'Madam, be not afraid of this nor of the second, but beware of the third.'" 3. She also says in her third confession (fo. 15) "that she hath [heard the] said Sir Edward sing and say that he trusted that knaves sh[ould] be put down and lords reign one day."

v. Eliz. Darrell (fo. 2) informed the said Sir Geoffrey that the King intended to kill card. Pole by means of the French king. 2. "Item, the said Sir Geoffrey saith that he heard the [said] maystress [Roper and maystr]ess Clement say within this xij monythes that [they liked not] thys polyng down of abbeys, images, and pilgrima[ges and prayed God] send a chaunge." *These two articles are crossed through.*

vi. Sir Geoffrey Pole says (fo. 2) that Hugh Holland showed him that card. Pole told him beyond sea "that if his own brother or any other of his kin were of that opinion, that the King and other of his realm be of, that he would defye [the]ym and tread upon the[ym] with his feate." *Signed:* Gefferey Pole.

vii. The confession of Sir Edward Nevill.

He confesses [that he] gave warning to the Marquis of the apprehension of his bear-ward.

† Geoffrey Pole says that the bishop of London said he himself was but a cipher, for the lord Privy Seal and the bishop of Rochester had appointed heretics to preach at Paul's Cross.

† "Item, hit appeareth by Colyns' confession that he found a bundle of letters in Jeffrey [Pole's] house at Luffyngton, sent to Sir Geoffrey by the byssh[op of] Lo[ndon]."

Pp. 8. *Mutilated and much injured by damp. With annotations in Pollard's hand.*

*** On a blank leaf of the same document are some jottings in Pollard's hand, partly illegible; but the following words may be made out:—

" . . . for the prove herof hyt ys . . . . . the Mr. of the Horse laboryd to the Kyng for a letter of comfort unto the lady Merques apon the knolyge of her offence therof. And lykewyse the lord Merques hathe afore thys tyme k . . . . . the same offence to the Kyng."

* A mutilated interlineation "meaning th . . . . " occurs here.

† These last two entries are crossed out.

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831. Extracts from Depositions.

R. O. "First touching the lady Marques by her own confession."

The lady Marquis examined, confesses she showed lord Montacute, that the lord Marquis her husband was warned to avoid his company, and that the King had sent her husband to London "concerning a certain berewarde." She has heard Sir Edward Nevell say and sing merrily "he trusted this world [would] amend one day and that honest men should rule one day." She rebuked him. Sir Edward said Peter Meotes was sent over sea to slay the cardinal Poole. When her husband was gone to the North at the Insurrection, Sir Edward came to her saying "Madame, how do you? Be ye merry?" Answered, "How can I be merry? My lord is gone to battle, and he will be one of the foremost." He replied, "Madame, be not afeared of this no[r] of the second, but beware of the third." She said "Ah! Master Nevell, you will never leave your Welsh prophecies, but one day this will turn to your displeasure." Has heard Sir Edward sing in her garden at Horsley about Peter Meotes (as before) and "that he trusted knaves should be put down, and lords should reign again one day."

ii. Depositions of Sir Geoffrey Pole touching the lady Marquis.

After Mrs. Darell showed him of the intended displeasure against his brother the Cardinal, he went to lord Montacute in his garden and said "Marry, I hear that our brother beyond the sea shall be slain." "No," said Montacute, "he is escaped. I have letters." Thinks the letters were either from Mrs. Darell or from the lady Marquis of Exeter. Saw letters of the lady Marquis to lord Montacute containing that when the latter was spoken of in the Council the lord Marquis had offered to be bound for him. Montacute showed him the letters beside Hounslow: they were all in the lady Marquis' hand. The lady Marquis once bore him good mind; "but after it was perceived that the King favour[ed] this examinate they said he would tell all and therefore trusted him no le[nger]."

iii. Depositions of lord Montacute touching the lady Marquis.

Received letters from my lady Marquis saying that her husband had offered in Council to be bound body for body for him. Has heard Sir Edward Nevell sing merry songs when the lady Marquis was present "and willed him to stop or stay there."

iv. Depositions of Jasper Horsey.

Was with the lady Marquis, "she then being in a disgysed (?) apparel," at Canterbury with the Nun there. Saw the Nun and a monk called Bockyng in a nunnery at Canterbury at dinner with the lady Marquis. Another time the Nun was at Horsley and there had a trance as he heard.

v. Deposition of Constance B[ontane].

That about two years past she and the lady Marquis rode to the Nun at Canterbury, she being attired like the servant and examinate like the mistress.

The lady Marquis never showed her why she went or what she heard except that the Nun "showed her that she should come to a very shameful death." Afterwards the Nun came to Horsley and there lay in a trance. The lady Marquis often wrote to, and had letters from lord Montacute. The lady Marquis said "nothing grieved her husband so much in all his life as the putting out of the Privy Chamber"; also that noble men are put out and the King takes in others at his pleasure.

vi. Deposition of William Brent.

Has seen the superscription of letters from lord Montacute to the lady Marquis which one Tyrell used to carry.

vii. Deposition of George Tyrrell.

Carried letters from his master lord Montacute to the lady Marquis and brought back answers at Candlemas, Easter following, Midsummer and again at Easter last.

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831. Abridgment of Depositions—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Depositions touching the lord Delaware.

i. Of Sir Geoffrey Poole.

Examined with whom he has spoken who misliked the proceedings in the realm and wished for a change: Says lord Delaware, twelve months ago, was of that opinion, but lately, when the King was in Sussex, Delaware said he was not so inclined to that as he had been.

ii. Of George Croftes, clerk.

Lord Delaware, on coming from the arraignment of lord Darcy, said he trusted Darcy would not be put to death, for the lord Privy Seal had promised the lords at the arraignment to try and save both his life and goods. Lord Delaware also said he and many other lords were with the King at Hampton Court. When the Act of Uses was passed lord Delaware, being at home, said he grudged much at it. At the time of the last Insurrection, lord Delaware showed him that Sir Henry Owen had spoken against him (Croftes); and counselled him to go, with such strength as he could make, to Court and offer his service to the King. Went and abode there all the time of the Insurrection, and on his return told lord Delaware all about it. When the statute was in making for abolishing the bishop of Rome's authority, he said to lord Delaware it was a mad thing to attempt by law to make men believe in England the contrary to what was believed everywhere else.

When the statute was first passed he was minded to flee the realm, but lord Delaware, hearing of this, wrote exhorting him to conform to the statute. Touching pilgrimages, praying to saints, honouring of images, &c., he has shown himself to lord Delaware to be one of the old opinion used in the Church. Lord Delaware dismissed one Thatcher and another servant for saying they were of the new opinions. Intended, if he had ever perceived lord Delaware to waver in any of the old opinions of the Church, to have exhorted him to against doing so. Being examined in what old opinions lord Delaware never wavered he said those touching prayer to saints, pilgrimages, purgatory, free will, and justification.

iii. Of Sir Henry Owen, knight.

Has heard lord Delaware say he "liked not this world of plucking down abbeys," and speak against Acts of Parliament, and say, "A time will come that God will punish for this plucking down of abbeys and for reading of these new English books."

The lord Marquis of Exeter and the lord Delaware were very intimate and many presents passed between them.

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14 Nov. **832.** Cranmer to Cromwell.

R. O. C.'s Letters. 385. Asks him to find means to prefer Cranmer's chaplain, Dr. Champion, to the benefice of Shepton Mallet, worth 26*l.* a year, the incumbent of which, one Croftes, is in the Tower and like to be convicted of high treason. It is the parish in which Dr. Champion was born and where his kinsfolk dwell. The King and lord Delaware give it *alternis vicibus* and the King gave it last. He can best tell whether he gives it again by reason of this attainder. It will be more to Champion's commodities than a benefice ten times its value, because he will not only have occasion to do some good continually in his native country by preaching, but also help the judgments of his kinsmen and friends the sooner by this means. Lambeth, 14 November, *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

14 Nov. **833.** Lady Lisle to [Lord Lisle.]

R. O. Arrived on Saturday the 9th. Sent on Sunday to know whether I could speak with my lord Privy Seal. Saw him on the Monday. Found him very

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good lord to me and my son,* his servant, both for my suit and your annuity. At his suggestion sent to Sir John Russell to know when I could see the King. He told me I must come to Hampton Court. I was greatly disquieted, and sent again to Russell, who sent me word on Wednesday that I should come to the Court to his chamber at 4 in the afternoon. At my coming there I was had to a lodging prepared for me, and other lodgings for my lord and lady Suffolk, the earls of Sussex and Hartford, and their ladies, unknown to me. We were highly feasted and after dinner today his Grace showed us all the commodities of his palace. I thanked him for the great goodness he had shown unto us and my son. He was very gracious unto you, and willed me to resort to the lord Privy Seal, which I shall do this morning. I have heard nothing of Paynswick. London, 14 Nov. *Signed.*

In Hussey's hand, pp. 2.

14 Nov. **834.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

My Lady has been both with the King and my lord Privy Seal and had good words as well for her own suit as for your annuity. My lord Privy Seal says you shall have the Friars; but the time must be tarried. Hitherto my Lady has had no motion for Painswick. The boars' heads my Lady sent the King and so "demerited" thanks. Acton promises to make assurance; if not I will sue his bond. Mr. Smith of the Exchequer is half miscontent at your requiring assurance from him. If you have any bond over him I would fain see it. I have not yet spoken with my lord Marquis. Mr. Bonham is in hand with my Lady and would pay 30*l.* and the rest at a day. The liveries must needs be paid now, and 30*l.* will not serve. Edw. Russell will give as much and pay ready money. My Lady will write of this. On Saturday next Lambert shall dispute his cause concerning the Sacrament against eight doctors in the King's presence. "It is verily thought Lambert will to the fire, which if he deserve God send him." London, 14 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

14 Nov. **835.** SOUTHAMPTON and THOS. BP. OF ELY to CROMWELL.

Cott. App. L, 77. B. M. Ellis 2 S. ii. 110.

Yesterday, 13 Nov., as we wrote we would do, we travailed with the lady of Salisbury all day, both before and after noon, till almost night; but for all we could do she would confess nothing more than the first day. To-day, between 8 and 9 a.m., on receipt of your letters dated Westminster, the 13th, we repaired to her again. But first, as instructed, we called her men servants before us, and apprehended Standishe. We then "entreated her with both sorts, sometime with doulx and mild words, now roughly and asperly, by traitoring her and her sons to the ninth degree, yet woll she nothing utter, but maketh herself clear;" strongly denying everything laid to her, and saying that if anything she has denied can be proved, "she is content to be blasme in the rest of all the articles laid against her. Surely, if it like your Lordship, we suppose that there hath not been seen or [harde of a] woman so earnest in her co . . . . . manlique in continuance, an[d] . . . . and so precise, as well in gest[ure as in] words, that wonder is to be . . . . . For in her answer and declara[tion] she behaveth herself so, and so . . . all thing sincere, pure, and up[right] on her part that we have concey[ved] and needs must deem and th[ink] the tone of ij things in her, that [either] her sons have not made her pr[ivy] ne participant of the bottom and pit [of] their stomachs, or else is she the [most] errant traitress that ever [lived]. And now that we have sei[zed her] goods and given her notice [that the] King's pleasure is she shall [g]†. . . . . she seemeth thereat to be somew[hat] appalled. And therefore we deem [that if] it may be so, she

* John Basset.

† This "g" is now lost. The document seems to have been a little more perfect when Ellis printed it.

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835. Southampton and Thos. Bp. of Ely to Cromwell—*cont.*

woll the[n] utter somewhat when she is remo[ved], which we intend shall be tomor[row], so that we have caused invento[ries] to be made of her said goods; and of such things as may be easily carried, as plate and other . . . . charge, our purpose is to take [them with] us. For the rest, and for the [ordering] of her household, we have appointed John Chadreton and [Babham]* steward of household, whom [we take] for an honest man, that they shall s[ee to] the order and rule thereof, and [also] wait and attend continually thereon till such time as the King's pleasure be further known from your Lordship therein." We have also required one White, farmer of the late priory of Southwyke, Mr. Waite and Mr. Talke, all gentlemen and neighbours, with others, to have vigilant eye to repress any stirring that may arise. Will bring Standishe safe up with us, for we can get him to confess nothing. Warblington, 14 Nov. late in the night. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

14 Nov. R. O. **836.** Sir Raynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

Received by his brother, Thomas Carnaby, Cromwell's letters signifying that the King was content with his service. The copy of his letters to my lord President will show the state of affairs here. Is sorry he cannot report better news. Allenton in Ryddesdale, 14 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Nov. **837.** Dr. Skipp, the King's Almoner.

See Grants in November, No. 23.

15 Nov. R. O. **838.** The Countess of Salisbury's Goods and Servants.

Inventory taken at Warblington, 14 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., of the furniture in the following chambers, viz.:—the wardrobe, the middle and lower chambers over the gate, the nether and uppermost corner chamber, the two bedchambers, the low parlour next the great parlour, the great chamber, the next chamber called the waiting chamber, the dining chamber, the chambers of Mr. Stuarde, Mr. Chamlay, Sir Robert,† Mr. Nicholson, the clerk, George Mysse and Harry Somers, the cook, John Hode and Harry Latymer, Edm. Thurlowe, Thope and Davy, the porter, the comptroller's servant, Mr. Newburghe, Mr. Warnay and Mr. Middileton, Mr. Parkyns and Mr. Hasset, Broune and Cotismour, the groom of the stables, the baker, John Pistowe, in my Lady's own chamber and the chamber within it, in the chapel chamber and closet, in the chapel, in the middle chamber in the tower over my Lady's chamber, in the great parlour, the ewry, kitchen, scullery, and buttery. "The apparel in her guardrobe," *i.e.*, 1 gown black satin furred with "bowge"; 1 gown black satin furred with martens, sleeves lined with sable; 1 gown black velvet lined with buckram, sleeves with satin; a suit of foynes for a woman's gown, the sleeves martens; 1 kirtle tawny velvet; 1 old kirtle tawny damask; 2 small cloth sacks, 7½ tod of wool, and a "botle sadle coverd with buff." An "estimate view" of the remainder in all offices, including farm stock at Warblington, Crockham, and Dorford.

II. Inventory made 15 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. by the lord Admiral and bishop of Ely, of the goods of the lady of Sarum:—

1. Coffers at Warblington which the said lords have sealed and left with John Chadreton and John Babham, steward to the said lady; one of them contains silk and gold to work with, another silk "to set the young a-work and a cushion wrought with the needle," another linen and a case of knives silver and gilt, with a little cup of mother-of-pearl, and so on. (2.) Coffers

* *See* No. 838 III. † Sir Robert Backhouse. *See* § III.

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brought from Warblington to Cowdrey, and there left sealed, *i.e.*, a black carriage chest, the little chest of "seo" with a chequier in the top, the great red carriage chest, containing numerous items of plate (detailed). Of all the coffers my Lady has the keys and the said lords have sealed them.

(3.) Stuff my Lady has to serve her at Cowdrey. Md. besides the "said money" in the leather bag and the crimson velvet purse there is found in the coffers of the said lady 20*l.* delivered to John Chadreton to serve the household at Warblington, and 6 silver spoons to be occupied there. Besides the plate at Cowdrey there was pledged to the steward, Babham, 2 standing cups and 1 doz. trenchers of silver, and to the comptroller, Oliver Franklayne, a salt of gold and 6 silver bowls.

III. The names of her servants.

The lady Margaret Stafford, Mrs. Wenefred, Mary and Margaret Poole, daughters of Sir Arthur, Katharine Poole, daughter of Sir Geoffrey, Johan Cholmeley, Johan Francleyne, Anne Raglande, Eliz. Cheynye, Dorothy Erneley, and Alice Densell. John Babham, steward, Oliver Frankleigne, comptroller; Mr. Newton, Mr. Nicholson, and Sir Robt. Backhouse, chaplains; Geo. Vernay, Wm. Perkyns, Chr. Newburgh, Edw. Middleton, Walt. Browne and Ant. Cotismor, gentlemen waiters; John Larke and Thos. Tandishe (*sic*) clerks of the kitchen. Also 6 yeomen of the chamber, marshal and usher, and servants in the pantry 2, buttery 2, ewry 2, wardrobe 2, Harry Roberts at Bisham, porters 2, grooms of the chamber 2, cooks 3, and bakers 2; all named. Also a slaughterer, a "catour," a tyler, a beer brewer, 3 boys of the kitchen, a horsekeeper, servant of the "squillery," almoner and laundress, all likewise named.

"Gentlemen's servants," 10; viz., Babham 2, Frankleigne 2, Newton 1, Nicholson 1, Geo. Verney 1, Perkynz 1, Newburgh 1, and Cotismor 1.

Harry Corbet, found of alms; and the fool. Total, 72.

Mutilated, pp. 25. *The last leaf found apart. Endd.:* Th'inventarie of my lady of Sarum's goods. §§ I. *and* II. *are in the hand of Southampton's clerk.*

15 Nov. R. O. **839.** SUPPRESSION of the MONASTERIES.

Book of account of Thos. Ligh, LL.D., and Wm. Cavendish, auditor, the King's Commissioners for the dissolution of these monasteries following.

*** Setting forth in detail, *a.* the goods sold (under various heads, as, for instance, in the case of Merivale, the church, vestry, cloister and chapter-house, hall, buttery, chief parlour, inner chamber, great old chamber, and four other chambers, named, kitchen, larder house, brewhouse, malt house, bakehouse, lime house, implements of the barn, carts and cart ware, smithy, grain at the monastery, grain at Newhouse Grange, hay, cattle at the monastery, cattle at Newhouse, sheep at Cronxston* in the Peak, and white plate), *b.* rewards given to monks and servants, *c.* Commissioners' expenses (headed "cates bought"), *d.* goods unsold (gilt plate, white plate, lead, bells), *e.* rents already received, *f.* rents still unpaid, *g.* fees and annuities granted out under convent seal, *h.* debts owing by the house, *i.* debts owing to the house, *k.* money owing to the house for wood bought, *l.* pensions appointed to the monks, and *m.* memoranda.

I. Lists of names of the juries who appraised the goods of the several houses, 12 for each.

II. (1.) Merivale abbey, Warw. *a.* Sold to lord Ferres, 133*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* *b.* To the abbot 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; to eight monks 50*s.* each, to one, a deacon 40*s.*, and to 42 servants and others, various sums, 49*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.*, the last item being "a poor man, 12*d.*" *c.* 8*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* *d.* 132 oz. of gilt and 26 oz. of white plate, lead valued at 32*l.*, and 4 bells at 30*l.* *e.* and *f.* 29*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.* *g.* To the marquis of Dorset 40*s.*, the lord Privy Seal 4*l.*, and to 14 others;

* Crankston near Pilsbury in the hundred of High Peak. *See* Valor Eccl. III. 71.

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in all 26*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* *h.* 150*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* *i.* By Edw. Chamberlain, Jasper Owynne, Sir Wm. Turvell and 13 others 92*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* *k.* 8*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* *l.* To Wm. Arnold, abbot, 40*l.*, John Onesbye, Wm. Robynson, John Dune, Wm. Tunman, Edm. Crokhyll, Wm. Broune, Thos. Bensoune, and Robt. Sany, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *or* 5*l.* each, John Spere, deacon, 53*s.* 4*d.* *m.* There remain the buildings iron and glass, and lord Ferres was put in possession, 15 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.

(2) Brewod, Staff. *a.* To Thos. Gyfforde, 7*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.* *b.* To the prioress, 40*s.*, three nuns, 20*s.* each, and eight servants, 78*s.* 2*d.* *c.* 60*s.* *e.* 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* *f.* 34*s.* 9½*d.* *l.* To Isabel Launder, prioress, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Christabel Smyth, Alice Beche, and Felix Baggeshawe, 33*s.* 4*d.* each.

(3.) Lylleshull, Salop. *a.* To Wm. Cavendyssh, 74*l.* 18*s.* *b.* To ten canons, 25*l.*, and thirty-eight servants, 28*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*; several of them being "gentlemen" and one item being "to iiij gentlemen's sons, xiij*s.* 4*d.*" *c.* 8*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*; also paid to Thos. Langton, chantry priest at Lychefelde, his half year's pension due at All Saints Day next, "in consideration of his debility and sickness," 66*s.* 8*d.* *d.* Gilt plate 63 oz., white 96 oz., 7 bells 37 cwt., valued at 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; lead at 400*l.* *m.* There remain the buildings, &c., and Wm. Cavendish was in possession 18 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. *l.* To Robt. Watson, abbot, 50*l.*, and the mansion of Longdon, with an acre of ground thereto adjoining, and timber and firewood; to John Hall, Chr. Ledis, Thos. Dawson, John Pousebury, Roger Knowsall, Wm. Scutche, Ric. Cuerton, Thos. Maynard, Wm. Massie, Peter Robynson, 5*l.* to 6*l.* each; Sir John Takyll, 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *g.* To the earl of Shrewsbury, high steward there, 53*s.* 4*d.*, Jas. Michell, (the King's corrody) 60*s.*, and eight others, 19*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* in all. *h.* 26*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*

(4.) St. Thomas nigh Stafford. *a.* Sold to the bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, 18 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., 87*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* *b.* To the prior, 6*l.*, to 5 monks 40*s.* each, and to one, 20*s.*, and 26 servants, 12*l.* *c.* 8*l.* 19*s.* 10*s.* *d.* 28⅓ oz. of plate, lead worth 40*l.*, and 4 bells worth 54*l.* *m.* Buildings left and a note of plate mortgaged. *l.* To Ric. Whytell, prior, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4.; Ric. Harney, sub-prior, Chr. Symsoun, Thos. Bagley, Wm. Pykestoke, and Wm. Stapleton, 5*l.* to 6*l.* each (Wm. Boudon who had 20*s.* reward has no pension). *g.* To lord Ferres, high steward, and 13 others, 13*l.* 20*d.* *h.* 235*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.*

(5.) Delacres, Staff. *a.* To Edw. earl of Derby, 21 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., 63*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* *b.* To the abbot, 6*l.*; to the prior and two monks, 50*s.* each; and to nine others, 40*s.* each; and to 30 servants, 14*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.*, also 26*s.* 8*d.* to 8 poor beadwomen. *c.* 10*l.* 17*s.* *d.* 87 oz. of gilt and 30 oz. of white plate, lead valued at 720*l.*, and 6 bells, 50 cwt., at 37*l.* 10*s.* *m.* *l.* To Thos. Wytney, abbot, 60*l.*; Robt. Bageley, prior, Hen. Benett, and Geo. Farny, 6*l.* each; Ralph Motsett, Randall Barnes, Wm. Crosse, Robt. Cheryngtoun, Edm. Boultoun, Wm. Prowluffe, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, or 5*l.*, each; Thos. Loke, Ric. Cordon, and John Bykertoun, 40*s.* each. *g.* To lord Derby, high steward, and to 18 others (among them Humph., John, Thos., and Nich. Wytney), 34*l.* *h.* 171*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*

(6.) Darley, Derb. *a.* To Robt. Sacheverell, 24 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., 168*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* *b.* To the abbot, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; to the prior and 13 others, 50*s.* or 40*s.* each; and 57 servants (among them "a little poor boy" and "another poor boy"), 23*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* *c.* 9*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* *d.* 98 oz. gilt and 37 oz. white plate, lead worth 640*l.* *m.* *l.* To Thos. Rage, abbot, 50*l.*; Wm. Stowbag, prior, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Ric. Macham, subprior, Walt. Ray, Hen. Hay, Nich. Jones, Hen. Tofte, Wm. Souter, Wm. ("Thomas" *in the list of rewards*) Haryson, Wm. Holylee, Thos. Trypett, Thos. Cost, and Edw. Cradoke, 6*l.* to 5*l.* each (Thurstan Broune and Thurstan Bowesforth, who appear in the list of rewards, are not noticed for pensions). *g.* To the earl of Shrewsbury, 66*s.* 8*d.*; to Dr. Legh, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; and to 41 others, 69*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* in all. *h.* To 58 persons, 142*l.* 2*d.*

(7.) Dale, Derb. *a.* To Fras. Pole, 24 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., 77*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* *b.* To the abbot, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; and to 15 monks, from 30*s.* to 40*s.* each; and to 30 servants, 15*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* *c.* 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *d.* 62 oz. of white plate, 6 bells 47 cwt., and lead 200 fother. *m.* *l.* To John Bebe, abbot, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Ric. Wheteley, prior, John Gadman, Ric. Hawslon, Thos. Bagshaw, Wm. Smyth, and Robt. Hervy, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Banks, Geo. Coke, and Ralph Heryson, 5*l.* each; John Shemold, Robt. Wilson, and Jas. Chenyholme,

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56*s.* 8*d.* each; Jas. Clayton and John Bateman, 40*s.* each; Rob. Jerett, 16*s.* 8*d.* *g.* To Sir Hen. Sacheverell and 11 others, 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *h.* To 13 persons, 24*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* *i.* 20*s.*

(8.) Repton, Derb. *a.* To —— (*blank*) Thacker, 26 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., 162*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* (this including an item of 122*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* "received of John Smyth and Richard Haye for money by them embezzled from the said late priory") *b.* To the subprior and 8 others 40*s.* each; and to servants, 15*l.* 8*s.* (in 25 items, among them "to 5 men that found certain plate, 25*s.*," and "a guide from Repton to Gracedieu, 20*d.*") *c.* 5*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* *d.* 42 oz. of white plate, 4 bells 24 cwt., lead 39 fother. *m.* *l.* To Ralph Clarke, subprior, 6*l.*; John Wood, Thos. Stringar, Jas. Yonge, John Asshby, Thos. Pratt, Thos. Webster, Robt. Warde, Thos. Brauncetoun, and Thos. Cordall, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to 4*l.* each. *g.* 12 items, 22*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* *i.* By Thos. Leason, parson of Castell Ashby, 69*l.* 10*s.*, and by two others, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *h.* To 18 persons, 63*l.* 13½*d.*

(9.) Gracedieu, Leic. *a.* To John Bewman, 28 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., 125*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* *b.* To the prioress, 60*s.*; to 14 nuns, 30*s.* each; and to Cecil Bagnal, Isabel Seyton, and Eliz. Slete, "sent to the said late priory," 20*s.* each, and to 35 servants, 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, also 47*s.* 6*d.* to "sundry poor folk having corrodies." *c.* 6*l.* 19*s.* *d.* Plate 20 oz.; 3 bells 9 cwt.; lead 10 fothers. *m.* *l.* To Annes Lytherland, prioress, —— (*blank*), Anne Grasley, sub-prioress, Kath. Chesyleyn, Marg. Powtrell, and Kath. Baker, 40*s.* each; Eliz. Hall, Dorothy English, Marg. Knottford, Amy Gyllott, Amy Asshby, Emma Michell, Eliz. Prestbury, Joan Barwell, Eliz. Farnham, 33*s.* 4*d.* each; Agnes Cosby, 26*s.* 8*d.*; and Eliz. Trotter, 40*s.* *g.* 10 items, 12*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* *h.* 3 items, 12*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.*

(10.) Pypwell, Ntht. *a.* To Sir Wm. Parre, 6 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., 121*l.* 12*s.* *b.* To the abbot, 10*l.*; to 11 of the monks, 50*s.* each; and to two, 40*s.* each; and to servants, 44 items, 21*l.* *c.* 7*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* *d.* 70 oz. gilt and 271 oz. white plate; 5 bells 66 cwt.; and lead 115 fother. *m.* *l.* Thos. Gyllm., abbot, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; John Baford, Chr. Haryat, Robt. Davy, John Godfrey, Thos. Alyn, John Harcote, Thos. Ball, Thos. Hadley, Thos. Chester, John Bennett, and Thos. Gabitus, 6*l.* to 5*l.* each; John Webster and Geo. Wodnett, 26*s.* 8*d.* each. *g.* 17 persons, 25*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *h.* 10 items, 90*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* *i.* 5 items, 4*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* *e.* 27*l.*, which is accounted for.

(11.) Barnewell, Camb. *a.* To John Lacy, 7 Oct. (*sic*) 30 Hen. VIII., 61*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* *b.* To the prior, 4*l.*, and 6 monks 40*s.* each; and to servants, 19 items, including "a boy of the kitchen," "singing boys," "parchment, wax, and ink," and "the Chancellor's man of the University," 8*l* 5*s.* 4*d.* *c.* 6*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.* *d.* 32 oz. gilt and 3 oz. white plate, 109 fother of lead and 6 bells 25 cwt. *m.* John Lacy put in possession 7 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *l.* To Yevon Badcoke, prior, 60*l.*; Warren Hasshe, Ric. Harnam, Wm. Raynes, Robt. Wisse, Edw. Ball, and Thos. Palmer, 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* each; also Thos. Raulyns, 11*l.*, and Nich. Smyth, 18*l.*, priors *quondam* deposed before the dissolution. *g.* 9 items, 20*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *h.* 19 items, 125*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.* *i.* By Dr. Lupton, Dr. Heryson, and 36 others, 129*l* 15*s.* 6½*d.*

III. A memorandum that the plate before mentioned was delivered to John Williams, Master of the King's Jewels, 15 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. And some concluding memoranda.

Large paper, pp. 101.

840. The First Suppression.*

R. O. Fourteen articles, which seem to be answers to interrogatories charging the Commissioners, receiver and auditor [in Leicestershire at the suppression of the minor monasteries] with irregularities and peculation. The second item is, "Item, to the 2nd article, at the praising of the dyaper and linen was no Commissioner privy, but the receiver and the auditor; and at the praising of the vestments and stuff of the church was present John Beaumont, one of the Commissioners; and at the praising of all other things was no Commissioner privy." It further appears that the abbot of Garradon had plate of great value appointed to him, and every one of the receiver's servants had money. At Olston and Kyrkby, plate which had been

* These documents are probably of an earlier date, but may conveniently follow the last.

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conveyed away was found by the King's true subjects, as —— (*blank*) Tompson, and others, but deponent thinks the King is not answered truly thereof. The Commissioners kept two books, took horses, cattle, &c., to their own use without certifying them, &c. ; and of every man that had a lease they took 6*s.* 8*d.* at least, which is contrary to law and grieved the poor men sore.

In a hand like Ric. Pollard's, pp. 3.

R. O. 2. Certificate addressed to Sir Ric. Riche, Chancellor of Augmentations, notifying that Thos. Syeston has a lease from Garradon Abbey, dated —— (*blank*) 25 Hen. VIII., of Stanton Grange, Leic., which Thos. and Hew Ward keep and occupy although they have had a whole year's warning to avoid the said grange.

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15 Nov. **841.** Lady Lisle to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Wrote yesterday by Geo. Brown of the Wardrobe, how the King entertained me; but I forgot to tell you that the King wished for you at the banquet; and I answered, you would have been glad to have been there and it would be no little comfort for you to know that he had asked for you. The banquet was the best I ever was at, and was partly made for me. I had not expected it, till Mr. Grenway, gentleman usher, met me with a wherry and caused me to land at the privy stairs, where Mr. Hennage received me and conveyed me to my chamber (and there Mr. Comptroller met me), where was a rich bed furnished, and nothing lacking for me nor my folks. The King was very gracious, and both lords* are forbidden to meddle with my son's inheritance. I expected to have spoken with my lord Privy Seal today, but he has sent word by Hussey to put it off till tomorrow. I shall speak to him for the parks and lands in Devonshire,† according to your letters received this day by Byrchaume. Mr. Pollerd has been with me respecting Paynswick I hope soon to despatch my business, for I would fain be with you.. You promised me after my departing you would dine at 10 every day and keep little company because you would mourn for mine absence; but I warrant you I know what rule you keep and company well enough since my departing, and what thought you take for me, whereof you shall hear at my coming home. Desires respects to my lord Controller, my nephew Graynfylde, and his wife. London, 15 Nov. "By her that is more yours than her own, which had much rather die with you there than live here."

Recommendations to Messrs. Rockwood, Fowler, Scryven, Snowden, and others. "I pray you make no man privy to my letter, for this quarrel I make you is but my fantasy."

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add.*

15 Nov **842.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O. This day I received by Byrcham your sundry letters, with one to my lord Privy Seal (and a copy thereof) which I immediately delivered; and he showed me he had despatched, for the payment of Calais, 2,500*l.*, and that to the rest of your letter I should have answer. I moved him again for the Friars; which he says plainly you shall have, but his business must be first something past. Further he willed me cause my Lady to be with him tomorrow by 6 o'clock, where her ladyship is minded to move my Lord concerning the lands and parks in Devonshire† which you write of;

* The Earls of Hertford and Bridgwater. *See* No. 672, and previous references in Part I.

† Chedam Holt, and Ockyngton. *See* No. 798.

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"but yet is not known what shall become of the L. M." (lord marquis of Exeter). I trust God has sent my Lady to make speedy despatch in your affairs. Recommends sending a piece or two more of French wine like the last to my lord Privy Seal, for hitherto he has kept the same for his own drinking. "Tomorrow Lambert shall be heard concerning the sacrament, at which reasoning the King shall be in person." London, 15 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais. *Endd.:* Huseis letters of 14 and 15 Nov. *Seal good.*

15 Nov. **843.** JOHN VARNEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks Cromwell for his goodness in "steing" of his office in Barkhamstede and Langley, and begs its continuance, for he hears Mr. Brian will set in keepers in his said office again, which he may not suffer. Marvels at Mr. Brian doing so again after promising to Cromwell not to trouble the writer more in his office. Is not young and is subject to disease, so that he cannot attend to sue for his own business. 15 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, High Councillor and lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Nov. **844.** WIRKSOP, WORKSOP, or RADFORD PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 622. Surrender of the priory and all its possessions in cos. Notts., Staff., Derb., Warw., and York, and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 15 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Stokkes, prior, Wm. Nutt, subprior, *and* 14 *others* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 50].

Without seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 63] without mem. of acknowledgment.

15 Nov. **845.** TOWN OF GRAVELINGHES to LORD LISLE.

R. O. We received yesterday your letters by the bearer and called before us the Commissioners of the Emperor "au fait de la chercherie," who reply that they have only done to the bearer what is reasonable according to the charge given to them by the Emperor. Nevertheless, to maintain good relations we have caused what has been taken from him to be restored. Gravelinghes, 15 Nov. 1538.

Hol., Fr. p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

15 Nov. **846.** EDMOND HARVEL to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 81. Wrote last on the 25th. Has since heard of the Turk's departure from Moldavia towards Constantinople, where he is expected to be about Christmas. He has taken one of the chief towns from the Caraboldan. King John of Hungary is agreed with the Turk and has given him 300,000 ducats, excusing the deed to Ferdinando as done to preserve the country. The king of Poland gives his daughter to the said king John. The Christian navy departed from Corfu on the 24th ult., and took Castelnuovo on the 27th after a great struggle, and several towns thereabout. It is thought the Christians will compel Raguse to pay a great sum of money and desert the Turks. The Christian navy will go to Dirachium and return to Corfu for the winter. Barbarossa and his navy remain at Previsa, but infest the seas so that no ship can enter this Venetian gulf without peril. He lately took five vessels coming from Cyprus and Candia. The Italians and Galiottes in the army have been ill-treated by the Spaniards. The Emperor's daughter, duchess of Florence, has been received at Rome with great feast. The Emperor is expected in Italy by February at furthest, though his Council would have deferred the expedition until he had put things in better order. Lately, one

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846. Edmond Harvel to Cromwell—*cont.*

Anthony,† once the marquis of Dorset's secretary, and afterwards your Lordship's servant, was here. Learned from him that he had come out of Ireland and asked for cardinal Pole, saying he would go to Rome, but it is said he has returned to Paris. Letters have come from the rector of Corfu mentioning that Barbarossa on the 2nd had passed by with 130 sail going to Vallona, which shows great courage. Venice, 15 Nov. 1538.

Hol. Add.: Lord of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Nov. **847.** ——— to Richard Moryson.

Vit. B. xiv. 283. B. M.

"This is 15 November 1538 in Veni[ce].

"Right worshipful Mr. Moryson, after all due . . . . . you do consider the causes why I have not . . . . . you at Padua afore now written you, be these . . . . . that coming into Italy was (as you know) little . . . . . wandering, was yet scant settled in Bononye, w . . . . . I heard of you, where you were on your way towa[rd England and] since your arrival there, I have known you have been contyn[ually occupied in] things of great moment. Insomuch that presuming . . . . . so important occupations, with reading or answering . . . . . sure I should seem rather to perturb your enterprise . . . . . to do my duty officiously. Also, continuing in Bo[nony, I had] more occasion to investigate and observe things, s[uch as you shall] know hereafter, than great commodity or any surety [for sending] letters. But now, I feared shortly a just expostu[lation from you] if I should longer defer the duty of one that pretendy[th to be your] friend, other in congratulation of your so manly des . . . . . other in ascertaining you from hence continually such t[hings as I] think you will be content to know. Because y[ou] have finished your occupations, so honourably as . . . . . [persu]adyth and your books declareth, and I am comen to . . . . equal opportunity to hear things, and liberty to w[rite them]. Moreover, here passed the first of this month, one A[nthony,]‡ whose renewing with me acquaintance had afore time in . . . . . house gave me also one piece of matter for this letter. [I unde]rstod after, that he would to Rome, and was come away . . . . . certain money of my lord Privy Seal's, and for certain [other] causes. Insomuch that I thought meet to advertise yo[u thereof], both to give my lord Privy Seal knowledge of this Ant[hony and] for myne own discharge. Because the humanity I had . . . . . farther knowledge, was only for the true heart and so . . . . . my lord Marquis, because we are also his poor kyn[smen] . . . . not writing afore, or writing now, this I trow . . . . . I am sure, ye shall hear many ways how the Christian a[rmy hath won] Castell Novo, but every man will not spend a bez[ant] . . . . . retraect as I do. I wished many times you k . . . . . Mag^ci brave, that the Spanish fantarye, ever . . . . . galiots of the buttye, and that the * * * . . . tre from a gentleman of Bononye that they are in grea[t . . . . bish]oppe of Rome will make his son el Segnor Pieroluig[i . . . . . e. And at my departing there were sent for to Rome . . . . . st heads of Bononye; men knew little then for what . . . . . nd of news I write no more, because I am sure you shall . . . . . with the duke of Urbine's death and other mo, by other . . . . . I cannot but tell you. M. Donato‡ buyeth still great books [Greek a]nd Latin, that the opinion of unlearned slander him not when he [shall bec]om bishop. Nevertheless, he joineth as ungraciously as ever [five o]r six Latin phrases,

† Anthony Budgegood. *See* Nos. 416, 433, 694.

‡ This is underlined, and Moryson writes on the flyleaf, "Maister Donato was Pole's host in Venice."

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which you know he is wont to despatch in . . . . . ion, with his other vulgar ware. Of mine ordinary study, ... y but this, that if I had commodity of one to write, I . . . . . this have in order, of things but extraordinarily noted these . . . . . um locorum Dialecticorum cum tabulis, Scholia in epistolam Ciceronis . . . . . Preceptiunculas de utraque Copia with a little commentary . . . . . corrupted places of divers authors, or considered or amended . . . . . owres I go about to describe el governo de la Segnoria di . . . . . to join to a little thing I made in Bononye of the . . . . . de la Spagna. Which I know partly by the Inquisidor Generall [of Spai]gnes sonnes information, my familiar in Paris and Bononye, part . . . . . gathered here and there, out of an history in Spa[nish, which] the King our supreme lord's ambassador† gave me when the [Empero]r was in Florence. Sometime I spend also in reading and . . . . . to a commentary, where I have ever since my first coming . . . . . e (that is since the creation of papa Paulo iij.) noted the success [of] notable things in these parts. Which thing as I began [hy]tt in sport, so methinks I find it of more utility [many] weys, than I was ware of. Now and then, I go hear a Greek . . . . comen from Corfu, where he hath lost a great riches by Turks. [Be]caus he was a great man, and hath good knowledge of the . . . . . [th]e Segnoria giveth him provission. When I am weary of all . . . I recreate myself with a little music, as I remember . . . . . (wiselier than I did then understand) you counselled me to do . . . . . you know of all my doings. There resteth but to tell you . . . . . for Mr. Lygh, of whom in all things (saving study . . . . . as good company as I could wish. He writeth me . . . . . I have found so fair and honest a house in Venice . . . . . in rio Santa Catherina, a meetly eyros place as you . . . . . lino di Santi. A very spacious house with a . . . . . over the sea, nor I pay but reas[onably] . . . . . er Mr. Lygh, that for on * * *."

Mutilated. Add.: To &c. Mr. Richard Moryson, in the Court of England.

16 Nov. **848.** HERETICAL BOOKS, CHURCH CEREMONIES, &c.

Titus, B. I. 527. B. M. Strype's Cranmer,‡ App. No. VIII.

Proclamation against importing, selling, or publishing English books without special licence, or printing such books with annotations or prologues unless they be first examined by the Privy Council or some one appointed by the King; nor even in licensed books must the words *cum privilegio regali* be printed without adding *ad imprimendum solum.*

None to print or sell any "books of Scripture" without the supervision of the King, one of his Council, or a bishop. Sacramentaries, Anabaptists, and the like, who sell books of false doctrine, to be detected to the King or Privy Council.

None to reason or dispute about the Sacrament of the Altar except those learned in divinity in their schools. Holy bread, holy water, kneeling and creeping to the Cross on Good Friday and Easter day, setting up of lights before Corpus Christi, bearing of candles on Candlemas day, purification of women, offering of chrisms, &c., must be observed till the King please to change them.

Priests known to have wives or to intend marriage to be deprived, and those marrying after this proclamation to be imprisoned at the King's pleasure.

† Ric. Pate.

‡ Strype does not print the whole of this proclamation; the latter part of it will be found in Burnet. The substance of a large part is given in Wilkins III. 847, from Foxe as if it was an original document; but the part relating to the marriage of the clergy Wilkins reprints (III. 696) with an error in the date, from Anthony Harmer's (Wharton's) "Specimen of Errors."

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848. HERETICAL BOOKS, CHURCH CEREMONIES, &c.—*cont.*

Burnet, VI. 220. Archbishops, bishops, deacons, &c., to preach the word of God, showing the difference between things commanded by Him and ceremonies used in the Church. Thos. Becket, sometime abp. of Canterbury, shall no longer be named a saint, as he was really a rebel who fled the realm to France and to the bp. of Rome to procure the abrogation of wholesome laws, and was slain upon a rescue made with resistance to those who counselled him to leave his stubbornness. His pictures throughout the realm are to be plucked down and his festival shall no longer be kept, and the services in his name shall be razed out of all books. Westminster, 16 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, from a copy printed by Thomas Berthelot.

Cleop. E. v 341. B. M. 2. Draft of the first part of the preceding, with corrections in the King's hand. Printed in Strype's Cranmer, App. No. VIII., with the King's corrections in italics.

R. O. 3. Another (earlier) draft of the first part of the preceding, with numerous corrections in a clerk's hand.

Large paper, pp. 13.

[16 Nov.] **849.** PAPERS relating to LAMBERT and HIS TRIAL.

Foxe, v. 237. Lambert's treatise on the Sacrament of the Altar, addressed to the King.

2. JOHN LAMBERTE, "a poor prisoner," to CROMWELL.

R. O. Was last week driven by necessity to write a rude letter to the King, and also to write to him his opinion on the Sacrament, and though he was partly enforced to do so, is not a whit sorry, trusting that it will either show the King the truth or cause him to discuss the matter further. Sent Cromwell a copy of the letter which, though gruffly indited, he understands was gently accepted. Would also have sent a copy of my opinion addressed to the King, but prisoners cannot do as they would. My lord of Canterbury has a copy out of which Lamberte would be glad to be allowed to write another for Cromwell. Though it contains no painted eloquence, hopes Cromwell will like it. Thinks he can disprove any accusation made against him, but if he is put here in ward, without accusation, is still content to suffer, having confidence in Cromwell's consideration, who put him into this captivity, having before received much comfort from Cromwell's causing the Gospel to be spread, against the oppressors of which he has so laboured that he has not been long unpersecuted these 20 years.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Thomas Cromwell, lord of the Privy Seal.

Cleop. E. v. 371. B. M. Strype's Cranmer, App. XXIV. 3. The answer or declarations of Richard bp. of Chichester in the presence of the King's Majesty against the sixth reason or argument of John Lambert, concerning the most Holy and Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.*

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Cleop. E. v. 367. B. M. 4. An argument in answer "to the seventh reason of Lambert," showing that his low view of the Sacrament is not supported, as he claims, by holy doctors, any more than (as had been previously shown) he can allege Scripture, rightly understood, in its favour.

Pp. 4. *Endd. by Sadler:* "A confutacion of Lamberte's opynyon."

* For Lambert's former examination by archbishop Warham (in 1530–1, apparently, compare Wilkins III. 746) *see* Foxe v. 181.

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5. Master and Fellows of Queen's College, Cambridge, to Queen [Katharine of Arragon].

Harl. MS. 7048, f. 18. B. M.

Have received her letters for the election of John Lambert, B.A., as one of their fellows. Have inquired of his virtue and learning, but his masters and tutors would not depose for him. Desired his father to bring him to college to answer a question of logic or philosophy, but he declined to present himself. Offered him, through his father, a chamber and 10 marks a year and his learning, until it was found that he was fit for election, but he still refused. Request, therefore, to have free election in discharge of their oaths. [A.D. 1521.]*

Modern copy, p. 1. *Headed:* To the Queen.

16 Nov. **850.** Lady Lisle to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

Was this morning with my lord Privy Seal and told him how gracious the King had been to me, desiring him to be good unto you for your annuity which he said could not be more than 200*l.* I answered he could obtain the 400*l.* as he promised. He replied, he thought you would not charge him with his promise, but he would do his best. Then I reasoned with him how the good earls† had handled me in taking possession of my son's lands, and he said they should undo what was done, and that he would be in hand with them for the same within two hours. As he said nothing of Paynswick I opened the subject, saying, that Mr. Pollard had moved me in his behalf for it, and that though I had refused sundry great offers, seeing he was my good lord I would part with it to him, if he would see me no loser, provided this his last request was not for Mr. Kingston but for himself. He promised it was for himself alone. I trust to know more of his mind in a day or two. I send you half of a doe, sent me by Sir Antony Brown. I kept the other half because I think that Mr. Richard Cromwell and Mr. Pollard will sup with me tomorrow night. I intend to see my lord Prince before I go, when I have finished my business. I hope to bring your patent of annuity and also a commission for the Freres. London, 16 Nov. *Signed.*

Mr. Windsor is here, but the account is not yet made. Begs him to thank Sir Antony Brown.

Pp. 2. *Add.*

16 Nov. **851.** John Husee to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

This day, in the King's hall at York place, certain scaffolds, bars, and seats were erected on both sides the hall, and at the highest end a "hautt place" for the King. The hall was richly hung, and about noon his Majesty being seated, with the most part of the lords temporal and spiritual, bishops, doctors, judges, serjeants at law, the mayor and aldermen of London, and others, John Nycolson, clk., *alias* Lambert, sometime chaplain to the English nation in Antwerp, was brought before his Grace, and certain articles concerning the Sacrament of the Altar objected to him. He held to his opinions, denying the very body of God to be in the said Sacrament in corporal substance, but only to be there spiritually. The King's Majesty reasoned with him in person, sundry times confounding him, so that he alone would have been sufficient to confute a thousand such. It was not a little rejoicing unto all his commons and to all others that saw and heard how his Grace handled the matter; for it shall be a precedent whilst the world stands; and no one will be so bold hereafter to attempt the like cause. After the King had confounded him by Scripture, so that Lambert

* *See* Cooper's Athenæ, i. 67.

† Hertford and Bridgwater.

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had nothing to say for himself, the bishops and doctors exhorted him to abandon his opinions, as his Grace did also; but he refused, and will have his deserts. The matter lasted from noon till 5, when he was conveyed to the Marshalsea. London, 16 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

852. SIR THOMAS ELYOT to HENRY VIII.

"The Preface" to his "Dictionary," in which he speaks of the honour due to royalty as next to that due to God, and expresses his admiration of "a divine influence or spark of divinity which late appeared to all them that beheld your Grace sitting in the throne of your royal estate as Supreme Head of the Church of England next under Christ, about the decision and condemnation of the pernicious errors of the most detestable heretic, John Nicolson, called also Lambert," when all men admired "the fulmination of the most vehement arguments" by the King in confutation of his heresies, and also his "wonderful patience in the long sustaining of the foolish and tedious objections of the said Lambert; as also at your most Christian charity in moving and exhorting so stubborn an heretic, with the most gentle and persuasible language, to recant." The people wept for joy and comfort at seeing this.

The author goes on to express his gratitude to the King for the interest he took in his work; for Henry, being informed about it when it was half printed, by the reports of Ant. Denny, worthily called by the King to his privy chamber, Will. Tildesley, Keeper of the King's library, and, most specially, by the recommendation of lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal, "chief patron of virtue and cunning" after the King, declared his readiness to assist him not only with his counsel but with such books as his Grace had. On this he stopped the press, and beginning at the letter M, where he left, gave a more diligent study to the remainder; and that done, gave a like study to the first half. Further remarks on the work.

853. SIR THOMAS ELYOT to CROMWELL.

A letter of compliments, in which the writer appeals to Cromwell's recollection of their past friendship since they first met 21 years ago, and to the good opinion Cromwell had of his learning. *Signed:* T. Eliota.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. at the head. Written on a flyleaf at the beginning of the copy of the writer's* "Dictionary," *printed by Berthelet in* 1538, *which is now in the British Museum.*

854. SIR THOMAS ELYOT to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. IV. 220*. B. M. Strype's Eccl. Mem. I. I. 405. Archæol. XXXIII. 353. Wright's Supp. of Mon. 140.

Cromwell has been so busy with frequent access of suitors, that he has had no opportunity of thanking his Lordship for his favourable report of him to the King on Wednesday last. Offers him all hearty love and service. Believing that the King's gentle communications with himself proceed of Cromwell's recommendations, desires him to continue his good lord. Deprecates Cromwell's suspicion that he savours not truly holy Scripture. Detests as much as any man living "all vain superstitions, superfluous ceremonies, slanderous janglings, counterfeit miracles, arrogant usurpations of men called spiritual and masking religious, and all other abusions of Christ's holy doctrines and laws." Rejoices at the King's godly proceedings in reformation of these enormities. Beseeches Cromwell, therefore, to forget the amity he had with Sir Thos. More, which was but *usque ad aras.* Never cared for him so much as for loyalty to his sovereign.

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Has more natural "shamefastness" than necessary, and would not press to the King without Cromwell's assistance, to whom he has several times declared his indigence, and whereof it hath happened. Begs he will obtain for him from the King a portion of the suppressed lands on which he can live according to the degree to which his Grace has called him. Will give Cromwell the first year's fruit. Has written hearing that Cromwell went to Court.

"Written at my house by Smithfield this Monday."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Nov. **855.** Southampton and Thos. Bp. of Ely to [Cromwell.]*

Cott. App. L. 79. B. M. Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 114.

According to [their] letters of the 14th they have now removed the lady of Salisbury and last night arrived with her at Cowdrey. As we expected, since our arrival here, "travailing sundry times and after sundry sorts with her" we have got something new out of her, which we deem material. We have also picked out of Standishe more than we could at first; which we shall report on our return. "We assure your Lordship we have dealt with such a one as men have not dealt withal to fore us; we may call her rather a strong and constant man than a woman." For she had been "so earnest, vehement and precise" that we thought it waste of time to press her further, but between 1 and 2 this afternoon, when on the point of taking leave of her, John Chaderton and Whyte whom we appointed with others to take order for her household till the King's pleasure were further known, sent us letters enclosing certain bulls granted by a bishop of Rome, which were found in Standish's chamber, with a copy of a letter found in a gentlewoman's chest, made, as it appears, by the said lady to lord Montague. "And forasmuch as the matter comprised the[rein seemed]† . . . . . [we]‡ have stopped [our journey]† th[is day to the]‡ King, and shall spend the same in . . . . . eftsoons with her, so that we have [examined her]§ whether, wherefore and when she made . . . . . and by her examination have tried out . . . . . wrote the same, and have sent for the w . . . . . abouts, whose examination we intend to s . . . . . this next day till noon, and so to make no [further]‡ demore here, but putting her in such order [and]‡ surety here as the King's pleasure is she should be left in, with convenient speed to come h[ome]‖, and then give you advertisement of all together." Cowdrey, 16 Nov. *Signed.*

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2. The lady of Sarum:—Copy of the answers numbered 5, 19, and 21 in No. 818.

ii. Lady Salisbury to lord Montague.

"Son Montague," I send you God's blessing and mine. The greatest gift I can send is to desire God's help for you, for which I perceive there is need. My advice in the case you stand in is to endeavour to serve your prince without disobeying God's commandment.

Headed: "The copy of the letter aforesaid" (*i.e.* in answer 21).

iii. Lady Salisbury to Reynold Pole.

For abstract see Vol. XI., No. 93.

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* Ellis prints at the end of this letter an address which has got separated from it since: "To our singular good lord, the lord Privy Seal his good Lordship."

† Words lost since the letter was printed by Ellis.

‡ Supplied by conjecture.

§ Ellis could read "exam . . ." which is now invisible.

‖ The "h" of h[ome] was visible to Ellis.

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855. SOUTHAMPTON and THOS. BP. OF ELY to CROMWELL—*cont.*

iv. Raynold Poole to lady Salisbury, his mother.

Copy of his letter dated Venge (Venice), 15 July [1536]. *See* Vol. XI., No. 92.

Headed: Copy.

Pp. 4, *mutilated. Endd.:* "[The p]rincipall [poin]tes of my [lady] of Sarum [con]fession with [the] copies of [her] and Raynold [P]ooles letters."

16 N[ov.] **856.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. L. s Remains, p. 409.

Encloses a letter about the relics with which the Blood of Halys is accompanied. Wishes it returned to satisfy the writer's mind. "If Master Nevell shall remove S. Keynelme, then he shall find his shoe sole for a relic." Would have waited upon Cromwell, but he must preach tomorrow for Master Munwurthe* at Barking. Doubts not Cromwell remembers Gloucester. The abbess of Mallynge desires him to thank Cromwell for his goodness. "16 N."

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Nov. **857.** JANE ROOPER, Widow, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Reminds him that when last at her house he granted to her his lands in Thenam in ferme at 4 mks. a year, with further grant to her son Chr., his servant, of the same two years past. Now Antony Ager has let it to Nic. Fynche, my Lord Warden's servant, and they keep it from her and her son. Though it is no great hindrance to her, the rebuke that will ensue grieves her more than the loss of 100*l.* Asks to know his pleasure by her son, whom she believes to be at London. Desires that Cromwell will consider him with something, so that he may be thought to be in Cromwell's favour, as well as his other servants; for his kinsfolk and friends think he is rather in displeasure because other men have had so many advancements and he none. Though youth so reign in him that rather pleasure than profit is esteemed yet nature with motherly love constraineth her to write and speak for him. The Lodge, 16 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Nov. **858.** NEGOCIATIONS AT BRUSSELS.

Spanish Calendar, VI. i. No. 26.

Report by the Imperial deputies of their negociations with the English ambassadors at Brussels, 16 Nov. 1538.

The English ambassadors first showed their commission and referred to the Emperor's overtures in which no progress had been made for want of sufficient powers to his ambassadors, which lately the Emperor at Barcelona declared to the English ambassador that he was ready to send to the queen Regent. The English then asked for an examination of the powers on both sides and took exception to the Queen's powers as insufficient, insisting on having a copy to send to England. Desired them to point out any flaw, but they said it was for their master to consider that matter.

From a MS. at Vienna.

859. QUEEN MARY OF HUNGARY to CHARLES V.

Lanz, II. 295.

As she has had no reply to her repeated letters, she despatches this special courier for instructions. Has before written of proposals made by the Landgrave of Hesse to the *greffier* of Luxembourg. The Landgrave

* Meaning Humphrey Monmouth, late alderman of London, who died 23 Nov. 1537, and was buried at All Hallows, Barking. He left money by his will for 30 sermons instead of a trental of masses, and appointed Latimer as one of the preachers. *See* Wriothesley's Chronicles, II. 72.

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has now sent a man to know if there is any reply from the Emperor, desiring to have it before the meeting of a diet (*journee*) of several princes which is shortly to be held at —— (*blank*) on the Rhine.——The duke of Holstein, elect of Denmark, and his differences with duke Frederic Palatine. ——By her last letters, related the communications held with the ambassadors of the king of England. The *verbal* sent herewith will show what has since been done, which is not very much, and how they insist on having a certain writing obligatory from me, or copy of my power, or of that which I have given to those whom I have deputed to communicate with them. Thinks they want it to show in France and arouse jealousy. Not to break off communications, has heard them herself. Is in doubt, if they wish to push forward the matter of the two marriages and the closer amity, what to answer, because the Emperor has not yet sent her his final wish touching either of the marriages nor how much Don Loys of Portugal will bring in marriage. Asks instructions, if they wish to treat only their master's marriage with the duchess of Milan, deferring that of Don Loys and the Princess, or deferring both marriages to treat only of the closer amity, what she is to negociate and whether they are to be still delayed, which will be difficult to do without displaying too evident dissimulation.

Asks instructions with regard to the dukes of Cleves and whether to listen to them if they speak again of the marriage of the duchess of Milan. The said young duke of Cleves is strengthening himself in Gueldres. The ambassador in France has informed her of the Emperor's reply to Brissac which has given both the King and Queen great satisfaction.

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17 Nov. R. O. **860.** TRISTRAM TESHE to CROMWELL.

Hugh Wyrrall and Teshe have taken the surrender of the White Friars at Doncaster and made a book of their property. The tenements in Doncaster are in some decay. The image of Our Lady was taken away before Teshe's coming by the Archbp's order, with others to which any repair of people had been used. York, 17 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Nov. R. O. Rymer XIV. 614. **861.** WIGMORE ABBEY.

Surrender (by John bp. of "*Pavidenc*'" and commendatory of Wigmore and the convent) of the monastery, and all its possessions in cos. Heref. and Salop, and the marches of Wales and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. 18 Nov. 1538, 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed* "Per me, Joh'em. Comendatorium" *and by* Robt. Pasbury, prior, Wm. Clebry, sub-prior, *and* 8 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 49.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll p.* 5 *No.* 53] without mem. of acknowledgment.

18 Nov. R. O. **862.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

William Wayte has given white cloth which I have sent you by Harry Vernam. Wayte tells me that Ric. Parsons of Sutwyll hath three geldings 15 hands high, price 15*l.* Send Wm. Leke to look at them, and buy them for me at 20 marks. If they be as Wayte says, "I put no store but one of them shall pay for all." Calais, 18 Nov.

If she sends John Donygcourt to see the geldings let him offer 10*l.* for them. *Signed.*

P.S. Sends her some baked partridges, and a pasty of a wild boar that came out of France, a baked crane and a white kersey to make her a petticoat. "Commend me to Corell Pat my frende letter to yow and to Marry from my lady Burr" (Madame de Bours).

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18 Nov. **863.** HENRY PALMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received 12 Nov. Cromwell's letter of 31 Oct., bidding him forbear to meddle with the office of the serjeant royal of Guisnes, unless he can prove that it is not incident to my lord Chamberlain's office as lieutenant. Explains his conduct. Has ceased to interfere in the matter since Cromwell's letter. Hopes if any motion be made touching the gaol at Guisnes, the order he took in open court before Cromwell's letter arrived may take effect, viz.:— When he appointed a jailor at the court holden in the King's Exchequer at Calais by him as bailey, 16 Oct., with Thos. Fowler, deputy to Mr. Robt Fowler, vice-treasurer, Thos. Boyes, deputy to lord Edmund Howard, comptroller, Wm. Pryseley, John Massingberd, John Cokeson, John Wyndebanck, and four others (named). Calais, 18 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Nov. **864.** NEGOCIATIONS AT BRUSSELS.

Spanish Calendar, VI. i. No. 27. Second report of the Imperial deputies.

On the 18 Nov. the English ambassadors, after hearing the Queen's answer to their first application, thought it strange that a copy of the powers granted to her by the Emperor was denied them. As to Milan, they wondered at the difficulties now raised, considering that the proposal to give the duchy to Don Loys had come directly from the Emperor, and been confirmed even after the interview at Aigues Mortes. Perceiving that the Queen's deputies gave no answer, they went on to speak of the succession of lady Mary, which, they said, had already been settled by the laws of the kingdom, sworn to by the King's subjects. Then, as to the third point of their charge, that Dom Loys should swear to the statutes passed in England, he ought to make no difficulty as it would confirm the eventual succession of Mary to the Crown, and make him popular among the English, and, though such provisoes were unusual in marriage contracts, the King insisted on it as a safeguard to the succession. The ambassadors finally said that, as the Queen's commissioners wished to make separate answer to each of the three points, they would be glad to have the answers in writing, within six days' time, that they might refer it to the King in case of any difficulties. This the commissioners have referred to the Queen, and it has been agreed that the English may write to their King as desired.

French, from a MS. at Vienna.

18 Nov. **865.** FRANCESCO CASALE to PETER VANNES.

R. O. Thanks him for his good offices, and desires to be put in favour with Cromwell. Rome, 18 Nov. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Italian. Add.*

866. EVESHAM.

R. O. Petition of the abbot and convent of Evesham to Cromwell as lord Privy Seal and Vicegerent that their monastery may be one of those which the King proposes to alter into educational establishments. It is the meetest house in all the country for such a purpose being situate in wholesome air in the town of Evesham, through which there is a great thoroughfare into Wales. Its buildings are well repaired, meet to receive the King and Court. It is within the principality of Wales and near where the Council of the Marches continues. It is also near Warwickshire where there is no monastery standing, and is exempt from the Bishop. It has always been noted for hospitality, is out of debt except to the King for part of the first fruits amounting to 800*l.*, and there is no other monastery within 12 miles. The town is well inhabited and well repaired at the costs of the monastery, "wherein there is few inns and not able to receive and lodge all such noblemen as shall repair and resort to the same town, nor have any good provision for such purposes without the said monastery." And in the

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neighbouring country are many poor, needy, lame, and impotent persons, who daily receive succour from the monastery.

Large paper, p. 1. *Endd.*

19 Nov. **867.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 385.

The King has sent him commandment to be with him tomorrow at 10, which he cannot do if he be with Cromwell at Stepney before 9. Dares not disappoint either of these commandments unless the King countermands it, and will therefore send to know his pleasure. Lamehith, 19 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

19 Nov. **868.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Mr. Sulyard and I, as commissioned, have taken the surrender of Wigmore monastery, and committed the custody to my cousin Bradshawe, beseeching your remembrance of him for the farm. On the last taxation the demesnes were valued at 8*l.*, and the parsonage, called Lentwarden, at 3*l.* We must, for weighty causes, return to Scroysbury tomorrow, but will assure you of the state of the house as soon as we can. Except a little plate in the church there was nothing, the best of the vestments or copes was not "praisseyd" above 20*s.* Wigmore 19 November.

As to the abbot's matter, he has not yet made his answer and I doubt not he will make suit to you.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

19 Nov. **869.** AUSTIN FRIARS, TICKHILL.

R.O. Rymer, XIV 631.

Surrender of the priory and all its possessions, both in England the marches thereof and elsewhere. 19 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed* by Ric. Robynson, prior, *and seven others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 45.]

Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll p.* 5, *No.* 80] without mem. of acknowledgment.

19 Nov. **870.** FRANCES BASSET to [LADY LISLE.]

R. O.

My sister Philippe and I have received your letter of the 16th. I send you the things you have written for and the key of your coffer. My breast is somewhat amended, though I have had sore pain in it. Philippe still suffers from the ague. Send word whether you will have "the ground in the border of the long coshyn" (cushion) with the same green that is in it already, and send some blue for the inner part. Recommend me to my bedfellow Mr. Basset. I long much to hear from him. Calais, 19 Nov. "By your humble loving daughter, Frances Basset."

Hol., p. 1.

19 Nov. **871.** LADY JANE CLYNTON to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

On Nov. 16 I received a gold cramp ring by Mistress Sakfyld, and the next day a ring with a stone by Smyth, a soldier of Calais, and on the 19th a letter from you by a servant of my daughter's. On Tuesday the 18th* inst., my Lord and all the Council dined with us. Mr. Wyngfyld and I desired greatly to have had your Ladyship, if it so might have been, but in your absence you were drunk to by my Lord and all your good lovers. My Lord said he thought the time long of your absence, and would for no good that you should lack him so long again. Master Wynkfeld, my daughter and her husband, master and mistress Hall, desire to be commended to you. Mistress Sayle (?) will be your workwoman now that your silk is come home. I am sorry my son has not seen your Ladyship since your being in London. It is a token that he has little love to me. 19 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. On the back is a drawing of a stag and an oak branch.*

* Apparently an error for the 19th.

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20 Nov. **872.** JEWELS.

Royal MS. 7 C. xvi. f. 57 B. M.

Memorandum by Cornelius Hayes of the receipt of certain diamonds and other jewels, from the King to be set in caskets, buttons or otherwise. Three separate deliveries are mentioned, the last being dated 20th Nov. *Signed three times:* Cornelis Haeys.

20 Nov. **873.** GEORGE CROFTE.

R. O.

20th Nov.—Croftes, examined what he meant by saying the Lord Delaware never wavered in the old opinions, says he meant opinions touching praying to saints, pilgrimages, purgatory, freewill, and justification. *Signed:* Per me Georgium Crofte.

P. 1. *Mutilated.*

20 Nov. **874.** OLIVER FRANKLEYN.

R. O.

Original of the deposition of Oliver Frankleyn, described in next No. Dated at the head, 20 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* By Olyver Franklyn.

Pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

20 Nov. **875.** EXAMINATIONS.

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Oliver Franckeleyn, examined 20 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., says that hearing Hugh Holland had carried the vicar of Est Mayn over seas he asked him whether it was true. Holland said that he had brought him over seas to Paris to school. Examinate answered, "I pray God his going over do no hurt." Says also that perceiving Holland frequently went over seas he said to him once, "I pray God all be well ye run so oftentimes over seas." Holland answered "The vicar of Est Mayne hath made me his factor and the lord Privy Seal knoweth that [he] is in Louvain at school, and is contented that I shall make his exchange for him." Says also that half a year ago or so, because the priest of Havant and one Wysedom had showed Sir Geoffrey Poole that they had been told by one Tyndall that Hugh Holland had been over seas with letters from the lady of Sarum and the said Sir Geoffrey Poole to the vicar of Est Mayne, Sir Geoffrey Poole showed this examinate of it. On which, the matter being inquired into [by] the bailey of Havant and nothing appearing, the said Sir Geoffrey, by counsel of this examinate, took the said Hugh Holland and one Ayer with him, and rode to the Lord Privy Seal; and at his return the said Sir Geoffrey showed this examinate that the lord Privy Seal was good lord to him and had despatched the said Ayar and Holland. Has heard divers men say since Reynold Poole was made Cardinal, "He shall be pope one day"; but cannot tell who said so. Has admonished lady Salisbury to beware of Sir Geoffrey Poole, saying, "I pray God, Madame, he do you no hurt one day." And being examined why, he replies, Not that he knew of any purpose of his to go over seas, "but because his stomach gave him (he knoweth not wherefor) that the said Sir Geoffrey should one day turn her to displeasure." Being asked what answer she made, says she said, "I trow he is not so unhappy that he will hurt his mother, and yet I care neither for him, nor for any other, for I am true to my Prince." Asked at what time he gave her this warning, says it was since Sir Geoffrey hurt himself in the Tower.

ii. Further examination of Collins, 20 Nov.:—Being asked what proceedings of this realm the Lord Montacute misliked and why he grudged at this world, says, for plucking down of abbeys and because words in certain cases were made treason, and because the King and the lord Privy Seal, he said, did favour no honest men, and would have none about them that would not do

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as they commanded.* Lord Montacute said this walking at Buckmar about the time of making of the said statute, and also in the same place about Ascension Day was twelve months. Being asked of the contents of the writings delivered to the vicar of Medmedham, and why he caused the said writings to be burned, answers, "There was one dialogue made by Thomas Lupset [the ar]gument whereof was of the obloqny against priests a[lso there] was divers sermons preached by this examinate, and no other writings." And he commanded all to be burned, because in one sermon there, preached by this deponent at Chichester before the statute abolishing the bp. of Rome's authority was made, certain things were written for maintenance of his authority. This was his only reason. Being examined with whom he has communed, that if any change should happen Lady Mary should have a title to the crown, he says, with no person, but it was a fancy of his own occasioned by a rumour spread at the death of the late Lady Anne that the King would take the said Lady Mary to favour again.

iii. Crofte's examination, 20 Nov., touching De la Warr's opinions as in No. 873.

Pp. 4. *Slightly mutilated and injured by damp. With some marginal notes by Richard Pollard.*

876. "COLYNS' LAST CONFESSION."

R. O. A paper so much injured by damp that very little can now be read. The first page especially is quite unintelligible. On the second we read:— "to blind the peple (?) . . . . . scheddynge off . . . . . wold ryse agayne . . . . . trusted any such promeses . . . . . thought the same.

". . . . also that the Kyng and the Lord Privy Seal lovyd . . . . . no honest man nore none would have about [th]em but suche as were of their mind and would doo that thynge that they wold have them to doo, and that they had by promotion and rewards corrupted many [an h]onest mind of many [an] honest man."

On the third page the following fragmentary passage is visible:—

* "turne ytt up . . . . . the lorde . . . . . askynge how he knew that . . . . . [an]seryd and sayd by ther . . . . . plas (?) that one off them dyd nat speke muche with the other but send now and then one to the other, and that was a token that they . . . . . to whom the lord Privy Seal schuld say Why thow vylen, woldes natt thow have one noble [ma]n to send to the other but yett said my lord . . . . . tt trust hym for al his sayinge and . . . . . how I do send for al that. Whome I desy[red at] the reverens of God so to doo, and in so doynge he did wys[ely,] lest theroff myche hurt mought cum to theym both. And thys was sythe Mychaelmas that my lord . . . me than.

"Also when the rising was in the North as my lord . . . . . the hows off any . . . . tatyon wych was then . . . . lord sayd See yow thys how . . . . . is the caus . . . . . for they be natt contentyd [that the?] abbeys be suppressyd; and at that tyme he sayd that the noble . . . . . openyon to . . . . that they mought iff they wold . . . . . that were amys.

"[And a]fter the insurreccyon was done and pacyfy[ed] and the promyses natt performed (?) that were noysyd [that there] schold [be] a parlyament kept at York and they . . . . . a reformation of ther requestes . . . . . to . . . . . my lord sayd that the tyme hath been when nothing was more surer to reken [upon than the] promyss offe a prynce, but now he sayd they . . . . . no promesse but as a . . . . . "

* This passage greatly resembles the first intelligible paragraph in "Colyns's last confession" (No. 876). That, however, must have been a separate document.

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876. COLYNS' LAST CONFESSION—*cont.*

On the fourth page:—

"My Lorde . . . . . when the rising was in th[e North] that [the lord] Bargayney had ben . . . . . part wold have made the King a great . . . . . and Sussex, or have made a schrode fray and wysched suche a one to have ben alyve tha[n] for he was a valyant capytan.

"[He] sayd another tyme now at the later supressing [of] thes abbeys that whyt in a whyle he fear [ed t] hey wold put down the parryche churches . . . to the wyche I answered that I feared the same."

[*What follows is too indistinct to be intelligible.*]

In Colyns's hand, pp. 4.

20 Nov. **877.** DONCASTER, GREY FRIARS.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 624.

Surrender (by Thos. Kyrkham, S. T. P., prior or warden, and the convent) of the house and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof and elsewhere, 20 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Kyrkham and nine others, three of them novices.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 19.]

Seal defaced.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll p.* 5 *No.* 73] without mem. of acknowledgment.

20 Nov. **878.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Has received her letter of the 14th. Is glad of the King's kindness shown her, not a little rejoicing to your friends and mine, and melancholy to our enemies. I trust the matter for your son John Basset will be at good stay, as he is young and will be able to recover it. Remits the affair of Paynswike to her discretion, trustiug she will be no loser, according to the covenants with Sir John Dudley, and will make the writer true of his promise to the lord Privy Seal. "And where you write that I have partly broken promise with you that I would be at dinner every day by 10 of the clock, I have been so feasted by the wydwards of this town at Mr. Myglows with the mayor Mr. Wynkfeld, that I cannot mourn by day, but in the night I swear God I sleep not one hour together for lack of you." Has no doubt my lord Privy Seal will be good friends with him; for what the King gave him, will thank none but the King and Cromwell. Received 60*l.* from Smith of the Staple to be repaid at St. Andrew's day. She is to treat him gently and get him to take it of Lisle's April payment. Would send her some French wine, but trusts she will be here. Mr. Porter expects to be lieutenant, under my lord Admiral, of the spears raised by the King in England. Her powder for the stone has saved Hyffeld's life, "and the boys; he made no water from Friday night till Monday noon, who prayeth heartily for you. Phyllyps hath taken Jack's medicine and hath voided marvellously upwards." Will give her an account of all the expenses when she comes home. Would not be without her company so long for 100*l.* Calais, 20 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

20 Nov. **879.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Glad to hear that she has been so well entertained by the King. Puts her in mind of one Lisle recommended in a letter of his own hand. Begs her to let Carey, who is coming over, have 40 sh. Sends 16 partridges. Calais, 20 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd. by Agard:* "Nil valent, scrut. 4 Sept. 1612."

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20 Nov. **880.** WRIOTHESLEY, VAUGHAN AND CARNE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. viii. 89.

The Regent arrived here at Brussels on Monday after All Hallowen day. Not to seem too eager in matters more for their commodity than ours we avoided sending to Court all Tuesday till almost night, trusting to her previous promise to enter as soon as she should return. Hearing that Arschot and Molembes were not the best disposed towards our proceedings, we wrote a letter to them to put the Queen in remembrance of our long being here, and insisting on the advantages of the alliance for the Emperor, and that it would be wrong to give you cause to think them unkind. Said this because their words have been gay and glorious. They are noted to be much French. Knew at the time that the duke of Arschot was not in the town, but pretending ignorance purposely directed it both to him and Molembes. Send copy translated into French. Received an answer to this from the Queen that she looked daily for the duke of Arschot with whom she would consult before entering into treaty and begged us to have patience. On Thursday came home to us Likerke, who was ambassador in France, and brought the same message. Pressed him, however, about our long being here without doing anything which touched your Majesty's honour, and he promised to speak with the Queen and get us an answer by Saturday whether the Duke came or not; which promise nevertheless he brake. Wrote to him then a letter of which we also send copy, and on Tuesday following the Queen sent him for one of us to speak with her. Nevertheless, thinking expedient that Wriothesley should go himself, though he was then sick, and on the other hand fearing that he might not understand some words, he took with him Vaughan and declared both to Likerke and the Queen the cause why they came. Likerke accompanied them to Court and dined with them. The Queen received them in a fair gallery, where, Wriothesley explaining his object and reason for bringing Vaughan with him, she enquired about his fever, and being told it still troubled him offered him her own physician or anything in her house; then, coming to business, said she had seen their sundry letters, and commended their diligence, but assured them there was no lack of instruction on her side, but she only waited for the Duke, who was delayed by sickness but would not fail to be here on Thursday or Friday. Begged her to take their urgency in good part, and said if they were sure to enter within two days more they agreed. "The woman is marvellous wise for a woman, and as it should seem of good disposition with it."

On Friday night Likerke came to us and said the Queen wished to see us on Saturday morning; when three gentlemen came for them, of whom the captain of Ayrie was chief, and brought them to the house of the duke of Arschot, whom they found, he having arrived the night before, and with him M. de Hostrate, an old father and as it appeareth very wise, M. de Likerke and a doctor of law called Score. Wriothesley recapitulated the overtures for the two marriages and said the Emperor had also made a third overture, for a stricter amity, which the King took in good part. And though matters had not then come to a conclusion it appeared that both princes continued of the same mind, for the Emperor had renewed those overtures at Villa Franca and caused his ambassadors in England to declare the same. Desired accordingly to see their commission, and that they would deliver a copy of it, offering to do the like. Said all this without interruption. The Duke replied that it was true the Emperor had made these overtures and was still willing to go through. He was sorry that (owing to his being ill) we had waited so long, but trusted they should now proceed. He agreed to show the commission and give a copy on our doing the like. Here we took out our commissions on both sides and exchanged them to be looked at. We told them we were not satisfied with theirs, first because it was very general; 2nd, it was only to the Queen without any clause of substitution, so that they could have no power

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to treat with us. They said they thought their commission sufficient and though the 2nd objection was true they might be sure they would only act with the Queen's advice; but would move her for a "testimonial." Proposed then to enter on business and asked which of the three matters they should treat first, the straiter amity or one of the alliances. They said which we would. Wriothesley then proposed the marriage of Mary and Don Loys as one of the oldest overtures. They agreed to this and desired Wriothesley to explain the conditions required by the English. Began accordingly to recount to them the Emperor's overture of Milan, the sending of Wyatt with letters of credence of his own hand, and his words after his meeting with the French king, assuring the English of his constancy. Desired therefore that Don Loys might be invested in Milan and that the Emperor should be bound in the treaty to give him investiture by a certain day; declaring further, how at that overture the Emperor had promised to leave it to him well furnished without reserving anything to himself. This they thought so strange that they could not tell what to answer. Arschot said he had heard of no conclusion about it when he was in Spain, but he was told the overture had been made since. Finally, they said they would speak with the Queen and desired us to proceed to some other conditions. We said we would be glad to hear somewhat of them, but would not bargain. Next we said they must take the lady Mary in the state she is by the laws of the realm, unable to claim any title but such as your Majesty should give her in respect of this marriage: for you had full power by law to appoint a successor in the kingdom. They said they thought it unjust that the eldest daughter should be put behind the younger, but we answered that the law of the realm could not be changed. On this point also they wished to consult with the Queen and desired us to proceed further. We said we thought we had proceeded well to utter so much and hear nothing; but still we would go to the third condition and proposed that of the oath of Don Loys for the observance of our laws. They could say little to it except that it was unusual for princes to make any such promise till the time they took possession of their kingdoms. We said this covenant was devised for the benefit of Don Loys, for if there were any doubt he would observe the laws he might find more difficulty in enjoying his right. They said again they would consult the Queen and give us answer of all, once more desiring us to proceed. Said they pressed us too far. Why, said they, let us speak of the dote and dower. Said this could be easily arranged if "a state" were once made acceptable to their master. Then let us talk, said they, of the second marriage between the King and the duchess of Milan. Said we could be content to talk of all at once if they would be more frank, and with this they were stayed, saying they would advertise the Queen and make answer to every point. Here we would have departed, offering to repair after dinner to know their answer, but we could not be suffered to go till we had dined. So we tarried almost perforce, I, Wriothesley, not being well at ease, the Friday being my sick day. At dinner the Duke paid Wriothesley much attention. We had great fare, 4 courses and at least 10 dishes at each course, all served in silver. After dinner, desired to know when we should have answer. They promised by Monday or Tuesday at furthest. Prayed that it might be Monday to satisfy the King, and they agreed.

That Saturday night the marquis of Barrow supped with us; who said it was thought in these parts that all religion was extinct in England, that we had no mass, that saints were burnt, and all that was holy subverted. We declared in such wise the religion of your Majesty, the abuses of Canterbury, Boxley, and other places, that he seemed much to rejoice at the one and detest the other. On Sunday Likerke came to us and advised us on the Queen's behalf to be ready on Monday morning at 8 for further con-

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ference. At that hour three gentlemen came for us and brought us to Arscot's house, where we found the persons before mentioned. Arscot said they had consulted with the Queen, whose answer we should understand by Likerke. "And first having his book in his hand, whereupon he looked four or five times before he made an end of his tale, (and yet we assure your highness he is a man of an excellent tongue and no less wit nor experience, also of goodly and great personage) like a man in a shaking fever he declared unto us how that, whereas in our last conference we had conferred upon sundry matters whereof they had advertised the Queen, by whom in these and all other things they must be directed, her Grace's answer to every of the same was as followed." 1. That the Emperor was of no less towardness than your Grace, and she also desired much the conclusion of the alliances. As to her power, the Council found it good, but for your satisfaction if any good conclusions were come to, she would procure some other commission, but it was not usual to deliver copies. As to the offer of Milan to Don Loys, she knew the Emperor had made it, but it was limited to a certain time, within which your Majesty did not accept it and she could come to no resolution without reference to the Emperor. She thought the condition about the lady Mary strange, and that the Emperor could not agree to it. As to the oath to be made by Don Loys; it was no matter of treaty. Replied that we would not despair of these things coming to effect. Would not stand upon the objection to the commission, but wondered at their denial of a copy after their agreement the other day. Holstrate said it was not usual to deliver copies, and their agreement was "but upon the Queen." Said in that case we bound ourselves and left them free; nevertheless could not prevail. As to their declaration on the points of the marriage, said, as to the time having expired, the King had been willing to accept the Emperor's overture, but it failed even then for want of power on their part, and the Emperor renewed all the overtures on his return to Spain, being quite at liberty as regards France, with whom he had concluded nothing but a "triux merchant." They seemed to marvel at this and could make no answer, apparently for want of instructions. On the second point we wondered they stood so stiffly as it was a matter established by law; which they discussed a little. 3rdly, we wondered at their objection to the oath to be made by Don Loys being inserted in the treaty, if the treaty should enable him to succeed to the realm, and that your Highness insisted on it chiefly for the benefit of Don Loys. Report their discussion on this subject. As they insisted on referring to Spain, said we must refer to your Grace before talking of other points. They said they would speak to the Queen, and we departed to our lodging, being almost dinner time; yet before dinner Likerke came to us and said the Queen was very well content with our resolution and would stay all writing till we heard again from England. Invited Likerke to stay to dinner and after dinner we parted as friendly as could be. By bearer, Francis the courier, we have received your instructions which we trust we have "ensued" hitherto. Brussels, 20 Nov. *Signed.*

Add.

R. O. 2. "The copy of the letter sent to Mons. de Arscot and Mons. de Molembeis."

Fr., pp. 2. *Headed as above. Endd.:* "Mr. Writhesles lettres and Mr. Vaughans."

R. O. 3. English version of the same, headed by Wriothesley: "To the duke of Arskott and Mons. de Molembeys."

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R. O. 4. The copy of the letter sent to Mons. de Likerke.

Since Saturday last, have heard nothing from him in answer to their requests to know the day the Queen would appoint to treat of the matters

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for which they have come; nor even in reply to the message sent to them at their lodging by Likerke himself, that her Grace had delayed entering into treaty with them in order to confer with the duke of Arschot, to whom she had written to come to Court, or at least send some reply to her Majesty, and that if neither one nor the other should come she would treat with us on those affairs that Saturday without further delay. The King thinks that as her Grace returned eight days since, the ambassadors must be fully entered on their business, although to say the truth they have been put off with gentle words. Are compelled therefore in their own vindication to inform the King of the state of matters which seems to indicate some coldness towards his Majesty, and (notwithstanding his great desire to embrace the overtures of the Emperor made to him long ago, and lately renewed by his Majesty by word of mouth to his ambassadors at Villa Franca) may occasion such delay as to ruin the whole business. Wish therefore for a definite reply before writing home.

French, pp. 3.

20 Nov. **881.** WRIOTHESLEY to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I thank you for my great cheer at my repair into these parts, and beg you to excuse my not having written oftener during this long absence, I have been so troubled with sickness and business. You are as far forward as my wife, to whom till now I have not written a word. I have a quartan fever, which on my sick day torments me badly. The second day makes me so feeble that I can do nothing, and the third day I am in such fear of the day following and must observe such diet that I live like one between this world and another. I hope before Christmas to see your Lordship. Commend me to my Lady. Brussels, 20 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

20 Nov. **882.** STEPHEN VAUGHAN to [CROMWELL].

Galba B. x. 337. B. M. By this bearer we write to the King the whole discourse of our proceedings with the Queen of Hungary and her commissioners, since the time of her return from the interview. You will see how coldly they proceed with us. While the Queen was on her way hither after leaving the French king, the cowntie Palentyne and his wife were in w . . . . to go into Spain to the Emperor, but wherefore I cannot learn. I hear from the marquis of Barowe and other credible persons, that in Zeland, Holland, and these Base Countries, they will prepare 100 ships to go to the Emperor in Italy next February.

I thank your Lordship for having delivered 50*l.* to my wife. Expenses here are very great.

I fear in this matter we shall find them more subtile than trusty. I request you to obtain a discharge for me from the King for mine accounts made of the faculties. I have paid the auditor's fee. It is more chargeable, all things considered, than beneficial, which I hope you will one day remember, together with my long service.

I am well assayed here and my little knowledge of French well exercised, as you may perceive by the two translations we send with the King's letters. Brussels, 20 Nov.

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20 Nov. **883.** CARD. OF BRINDISI and FABIUS MIGNANELLUS to CARD. FARNESE.

Laemmer, Mon. Vat. 197 In reply to letters of the 13th and 28th ult., mainly about the Lutherans.

The enormities which the king of England every day perpetrates were already heard of here, and his Majesty here is much displeased, showing

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that in due time and place he will not fail to assist the purpose of his Holiness. But the more the case of England grieves him the more pleased he is with the promotion of Signor Ottavio to the *prefectura* of Rome. * * * Vienna, 20 Nov. 1538.

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21 Nov. **884.** ROB. WARNER to LORD FITZWATER.

Titus B. I. 140. B.M. Ellis, 1st Ser. II. 96.

News in London is that on Monday was fortnight, were had to the Tower, the marquis of Exeter and Lord Montague, and next day Sir Edw. Nevell; who are all like to suffer death, with Sir Geoffrey Polle, who was in the Tower before. It is for Lord Montague's brother, who is with the bp. of Rome and is an arrant traitor. They would have made foul work in England. My lady Marquis is in the Tower and lady Salisbury in hold, as I heard "my lord" say. The King removed from Westminster on Tuesday 19 Nov., and, thank God, was never merrier. On the Wednesday before he made a banquet, at which were the duke of Suffolk and his wife, my lord my master, and my lady,† the earl of Hertford and his wife, and my lady Lisle, with other maids that were the Queen's women. They lay all night in Court and had banquets in their chambers, and the King's servants to wait upon them, and did not take leave till four o'clock after dinner next day. On the Monday next the King had the lords of the Privy Council to dinner in the banquetting chamber, and next day went to Hampton Court, where he will remain till near Christmas, and then go to Greenwich. There is small speaking of any queen; merely a report that it should be the duchess of Milan. In any case it will be an outlandish woman and will not happen till the spring. My lord your father† has been at London these nine or ten weeks except two days at Soulmas, when he came to Wodham Water and took my lady back with him to tarry a week; but it shall be Monday next before she leaves, which will make three weeks that she has been in London. My Lord tarries still, but will keep Christmas at Wodham Watter. Your lordship and my lady your wife should be there, for I heard my lady say she would be glad of your wife's company.

Churcheman the draper has your lordship in suit in the Common Pleas, but I got a "turney for you" and he cannot hurt you this term. Remember the promise Sir Hwan your chaplain made for you when in London. I have charged Henry Myne to be your attorney, whom you must reward, for he would take nothing from me. I fear the skinner and Horton, the goldsmith, will play the same game. Please get my uncle Hubbarde and my aunt to forbear the 20 nobles I owe them until Lady Day in Lent. I should have received 4*l.* for my fee of Stratford Abbey that my lord has given me, but because it has come to the King's hands I am delayed until next term. Begs him to aid him and to desire Lady Calterope to speak for him. London, 21 Nov.

"I desire your lordship to shew these two last lines to my lady your wife and to my lady Caltrope, which beareth recommendations to them both.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

21 Nov. **885.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

I have twice asked my lord Privy Seal for answer to the letter I delivered him. Touching your lordship's annuity he told my lady when she last communed with him it could not be more than 200*l.* He says you shall have the Friars, but he makes no despatch of the same. He and my lady are not yet agreed about Paynswick. I shall be loth to see you a loser. 1,000*l.* is not so soon gotten. If you were to lose it "in the shire, it were

† The earl and countess of Sussex. Compare Nos. 833 and 841.

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reason you should advance the same in the hundred, which will not rise in 200*l.* pension, nor yet in the Freres." Bonham hangeth still on my lady for Soberton, but will not pay more than 30*l.* in hand, and the draper calls for his money. Would God he were paid, and likewise the abbot of Westminster, for better your lordship shall be to pay 10*l.* than 40*l.* Can be at no point with my lord Marquis but 40*l.* a year. I hope your auditor will thorough with Acton this term, or he is not worth his fee. He has paid the abbot of Reading the last half year's pension. My lord Admiral has this day promised to set order for Harwodd's matter. My lady has sent for Mrs. Bryggett; and this morning her ladyship has ridden to my lord Prince and intends to be here again to-morrow night. Vyllers has promised I shall see his patent. Mr. Skryven shall be assisted in keeping his courts. Will send Lisle's cap and under cap. Would like to see the indenture of the rent the lord Marquis bears. My lady has not yet spoken to my lord Admiral. Has written to Lane for the two young horses. Has had no time to ask my lord Privy Seal for Fellows's forfeiture. London, 21 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Sealed.*

21 Nov. **886.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s letters 386.

Cromwell's servant, Dr. Cave, is willing to resign his prebend in the King's College at Oxford to Cranmer's chaplain Dr. Barber. Asks Cromwell to obtain it from the King in whose gift it is. Lambeth, 21 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

21 Nov. **887.** SIR JOHN SEYNCLER to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I have much sickness, especially in winter, and cannot come to speak with your lordship. Yesterday, 20 Nov., I was with the abbot of St. John's of Colchester, who asked me how the abbot of St. Osis did, for the bruit was the King would have his house. Answered, the abbot of St. Osis says he is a true subject, and will obey his grace without grudge. The abbot of St. John's replied, "I will not say [so, for] the King shall never have my house but again my will and again my heart, for I know by my learning that he cannot take it by right and law." To which I said "If ye hold such learning as ye learned in Oxenforde when ye were young ye will be hanged, and ye are wordye" and advised him to be a true subject. "My lord, I like not the man, I fear he hath a cankered heart, for he was accused but of late of traitrous words by one William Halle, but he had no witness." Colchester, 21 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal.

21 Nov. **888.** MONK-BRETTON PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 622.

Surrender (by Wm. Brown, prior, and the convent of Monkbretton *alias* Burton) of the monastery and all its possessions in co. York and elsewhere in England, Wales, Ireland, and the marches thereof, 21 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* William, the prior, *and* 13 *others* (*see* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 31).

Seal gone.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 60] without mem. of acknowledgment.

21 Nov. **889.** THE DUKE OF SAVOY.

Leonard, II. 415.

Ratification anew of the treaty of Nice, by Charles duke of Savoy, as the form of the ratification made by him already was not considered satisfactory. Nice, 21 Nov. 1538.

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[22 Nov.*] **890.** ANABAPTISTS.

Soc. Ant. Procl. II. 120. Wilkins, III. 779.

Proclamation by the King as Supreme head in earth under God of the Church of England, ordering all strangers who have lately rebaptised themselves, who deny that the Sacrament of the Altar is the very body of our Lord, and hold and teach other pestilent heresies, to leave the realm in 12 days, whether they have recanted or not, on pain of death. Persons belonging to these sects are forbidden to enter the kingdom; the King's subjects are forbidden to hold such heresies, and all persons are ordered to assist in arresting the guilty.

Black letter. Printed by Thos. Berthelet.

Cleop. E. v. 357. B. M.

2. Later copy of the preceding.
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22 Nov. **891.** RICHARD MORGAN to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

I thank you for your goodness shown to so poor a man as I was at Canterbury at the King's last being there. You will remember at my departure from you there you gave me a bill for the payment of 16*l.* at Michaelmas last, to be paid by your servant John Hussey, who, however, showed me such reasons that I was well content to forbear it. I must, however, pay on 15 May next a great sum to my brother-in-law, who has married one of Robt. Bailey's daughters, sister to my wife. I beg, therefore, that you will sign the enclosed warrant for the said sum. Lincoln's Inn, 22 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

22 Nov. **892.** SIR RICHARD BULKELEY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Renews his suit for a grant of the friar house called Llanvays, lately suppressed, which lies among his lands. Cromwell shall have 100 marks for his pains in the matter. The house and lands are worth only 4 or 5 marks a year, but he wishes to make a dwelling house of it. Bewmares, 22 November. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

22 Nov. **893.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

I heartily thank you for your letter and trust you will use such diligence to bring your purpose and mine to good effect, and to be shortly with me. You may tell my lord Privy Seal that whereas he refuses "to be charged" with any promise, I will not charge him, but put him in mind of what he spoke to me and of his general goodness towards me, for I will do nothing to displease him. Send me no money till you come. Thanks for the venison. Mr. Wrisley, from whom I had a letter this day, desires remembrance, and will be here this Christmas. Let Richard Carry have 40*s.* Calais, 22 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

22 Nov. **894.** JOHN WORTH to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Lord Lisle is in good health and merry, the merrier for receiving a letter from you this day. Divers men who have come from London have reported how graciously the King entertained you at your coming to Court.

* For date *see* Wriothesley's Chronicle, I. 89. Wilkins, who printed it from the Cottonian copy, attributes it, for no apparent reason, to the year 1534. There is an Italian translation of this document among the Vatican archives, of which a copy will be found in Stevenson's Vatican Transcripts in the Record Office, Vol. IV., f. 221.

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894. JOHN WORTH to LADY LISLE—*cont.*

Mistress Frances and Mistress Phyllyp* have been sick of the ague. I think Mrs. Frances' ague would soon be past if it were your pleasure that Mr. Basset might come to Calais and see her, but Mrs. Phyllyp has the ague every second day. They all greatly desire your coming home, and desire to be commended to their brothers and sisters. Mrs. Phyllyp desires your blessing. Lady Clynton, Master Wyngfylde, lady Grenefylde, lady Garnysche, lady Whetthyll, lady Banestar, Mr. Halle and his wife, Mr. Boys and his wife, with Mrs. Clynton, recommend themselves heartily to you. Mr. Gaynsfurde has married his own maid. All your poor neighbours in your street desire your return. Enclosed is a letter from my mother. Mrs. Mynacheho also sends commendations. The cause of my writing is to ask you to cause Mr. Thacker or Harry Kyllfoyttes (?) to get the enclosed bill signed by the lord Privy Seal to Sir Thos. Dounes and Sir John Fulforde. I trust it will be worth 40*l.* to me. If the enclosed letter is not well indited I beg you to have it new written and I will pay for it. You must send more silk for your cushions, and they will be made before Christmas. If you get this bill signed I shall shortly be in Devonshire with my poor mother. Calais, 22 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* The countys Lysseley.

22 Nov. **895.** THOS. SKREVEN to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Reminds her that she and lord Lisle are bound to him for 105*l.* On his faith it has scathed him 40 mks. Calais, 22 Nov. 1538.

Sends a bill of 4*l.* for satin and thread.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* —— in London.

22 Nov. **896.** THE CARDINAL OF BRINDISI to [CARD. FARNESE.]

Vatican MS. He ought not to have sent the writer's letter (in which he spoke so freely about those two electors) to Poggio for fear some of the Germans in the Emperor's court should write hither of it or that the Emperor might tell it to Londen.† Mentions a petition "del Brandenburg." The Pope should thank the Emperor for the Catholic mind he has shown in those chapters of which the writer sends copies in French and Italian.—Necessity, if the Lutherans are to be deprived of aid outside Germany, of a good peace with France—does not say whether by giving Milan or otherwise, for he is quite indifferent; but peace, for then the Turk will be opposed and perhaps conquered, the king of England punished and the Lutherans without councils or diets will be glad to be received into the bosom of the Church. Thinks his Holiness should write a brief to the elector Joachim of Brandenburg commending his constancy to the Church. Vienna, 22 Nov 1538.

Italian, pp. 3. *From a modern extract in R. O. headed:* Del nuncio Aleandro Girolamo, del giorno 22 Novembre 1538. *Begins:* R^mo et Ill^mo Seg. mio sempre oss^mo.

897. JOHN DOVE‡ to LORD [LISLE.]

R. O. Whereas my Lady has promised to do her diligence for a commission for the Friars, I hope it may be done shortly, as I am weary of the heavy burden. I should be glad if you would have a writing under our convent seal to render to you all the title we have in the house, "which I think would be no hindrance to the expedition of your suit in it, keeping it close to yourself, for because the people shall not wonder at me in surrendering it to your

* Frances and Philippa Basset. † The bishop of Lunden.
‡ Prior of the White Friars at Calais.

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Lordship." As you have perused the counterpart of Mr. Portar's indenture, if you will send it to her Ladyship you shall have it again. If not, I shall be compelled to seek some friend in England who can put the matter in execution, which I should be loth to do. The sooner your Lordship follows your suit in these premises, the better, especially before the return of Mr. Wrysley "for his great trust is in him." *Signed:* John Dove, inceptor in divinity and prior as yet.

When you write to my Lady, please to make my commendations.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his most singular and especial good Lord.

23 Nov. **898.** LADY LISLE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I have come here at an ill time and am compelled to wait. I have seen my lord Prince, who is the goodliest babe that ever I set mine eye upon. I pray God make him an old man, for I should never be weary of looking on him. I saw also my lady Mary and my lady Elizabeth. My lady Mary asked heartily after you and desired to be commended. The visit was costly, for no one comes there but with great rewards. My lord Privy Seal says your annuity shall be only 200*l.*, and I dare not speak to the King for fear of his displeasure. As for Paynswick, I am yet at no determinate point, but Mr. Pollerd hath been in hand with me. I think he expects to have the 1,000*l.* released for the pleasures he has done to you and me, especially concerning my son's inheritance. I trust to his honor that he will not desire that we should be losers. I have received your letters, the partridges and the baked meats. Mr. Cotton, vice-chamberlain for the Prince, desires his commendations and says that all the cook's places are filled. The earl of Bridgwater dined with me to-day. I hope he will be reasonable. If not, I will trust the King that he shall do me no wrong. Both he and the earl of Hertford have been spoken to by the King and Cromwell and so "shaken up" that they promise to meddle no further. Mr. Windsor has as yet given me no money, because he has not yet been able to bring Acton to reckoning. I lose no time here, but am up every day three hours before day, and if I could finish my business I should be glad to depart. I send you half a doe from lady Sussex. If Carey come I will deliver him 40*s.* I have sent your gown to be made, and you shall have it next week. Husee sends you a cap and an under-cap. London, 23 Nov. *Signed.*

Let this bearer remain in your chamber till I come. Spyccott is going to Calais in two days. I send you another half doe for my lord Delaware, and keep the previous half, as it was not all of the sweetest.

Pp. 2. *Add.*

23 Nov. **899.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Has delivered my Lady his letter. They have shown her that they will no longer meddle with Mr. Basset's inheritance. She has not yet arranged with my lord Privy Seal about Paynswick. They (Cromwell) want to have the 1,000*l.* released for friendship and pleasure showed in time past, which might have been partly deserved if the pension of 400*l.* had been obtained; but he has said it shall be only 200*l.*, and 1,000*l.* is a large gift for pleasures and friendships past. I think my Lady will conform to my lord Privy Seal's wish, provided you and she are not losers. He has been so busy that I have not applied to him for an answer. Smythe of the Exchequer has promised to show me the indentures. This day Mr. Wynsore and your auditor, will account with Acton. If Bonham does not conclude whilst my Lady is here, "he shall have none at my hands." Is waiting for an answer touching the Freres. My Lady has received the partridges and other baked meats. Harry Vernham will bring the bows. My Lady will send spice and wax. To-day the earl of Bridgwater dined with her. Yesterday, the 22nd,

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899. JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE—*cont.*

Lambert, *alias* John Nycolson, was burnt in Smithfield, and the same day two Flemings, and one of their wives, were adjudged to death. A third man abjured. These were Anabaptists. I send you a cap and an undercap, and have paid for your bibles 15*s.*, and 13*s.* 4*d.* for two pair of hose. London, 23 Nov.

I send you one of the new proclamations, which will not please all men there.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

23 Nov. **900.** SIR JOHN NEVILL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sir Geo. Lawson, Master Bellows, Master Bryetheman and other commissioners for the suppression of certain monasteries here, were at the house of Mu[n]cke Burton today, 22 Nov., and the prior and brethren have surrendered it. Asks for the parsonage of Royston with the town of Cudworth and Caryllton. Would like to have the preferment of the house of Munke Burton with the demesnes and goods, if there be no farther grant made. Chett, 23 Nov. *Signed :* "John Nevyell."

P. 1. *Add.* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

23 Nov. **901.** GUILLAUME LE GRAS to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Six days ago I received your letter acknowledging the receipt of mine by John de Yverry, to whom I requested you to deliver the amount of the expenses I had paid for your son Master James ; in which I trusted there would be no mistake as Mr. Beconsal had told me. Nevertheless you informed me that owing to your voyage to England, you could not afford to pay till your return. I beg you to pay it as soon as you can, for I have given him orders what to do. The sums I have spent amount to 200 *livres* 6 *sous Tournois*, apart from the *depense de bouche* of your said son and his tutor. Be good enough to pay it in crowns of the sun at 45 *sous*. As to my debt in England, if it can be paid to me by your means, I shall be greatly bound to you. Paris, 23 Nov. 1538. *Signed.*

Fr. p 1. *Add.*

24 Nov. **902.** CROMWELL to [SIR BRIAN TUKE]*

The King's pleasure is that of the 2,000*l.*, in your custody whereof you and I spoke yesterday, you deliver 1,000*l.* immediately to Mr. Gostwyke for my lord of Winchester, and these my letters with Mr. Gostwyke's bill of receipt shall be your discharge. London, 24 Nov., 30 Hen. VIII.

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24 Nov. **903.** THE CHARTERHOUSE.

R. O. "Received of William Daylle by the hands of Wm. Doone, at the commandment of Mr. Dr. Lee, Dr. Layton and other, the xxiiij^{ti} die Novembris anno xxx. R. Henrici VIII. for Mr. Doctor Lee in the church of the Charterhouse in London."

First, seven pews for seats, a desk, and two panes of plain panel that stood upon two chests. Item, delivered to the late prior of the said house, all the wood given to the said late prior by the King's visitors, which was sold for 15*l.* Item, delivered to the King's gardener for his garden at Chelsea all such bays, rosemarie grafts, &c., as were meet for his Grace's

* Attached as a schedule to a subsidy account to be noticed hereafter, ending Easter, 32 Hen. VIII.

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garden. To Mr. Richard Cromwell's gardener, all such bay trees and grafts as they thought convenient for them. To Mr. Fitz Hugh a whole "cell" of wainscott as it stood, by Mr. Ric. Cromwell's token, which token was a gold ring. Certain brethren took away their "sells" as they stood by your mastership's commandment. All the kitchen and buttery stuff, sold to Dr. Cave is had away by Dr. Cavys servant. Dr. Billowse's servant had two carload of hay by command of the visitors. Delivered to Sir Arthur Darcy the custody of three small cells adjoining his house, which he had of my lord Privy Seal, by command of the chancellor of the Augmentations upon token from my lord Privy Seal and by Mr. Lee's assent. Delivered to Dr. Talbote the custody of the new "ssell" by the commissioner's commandment. To Mr. Wuddall the custody of one cell by Dr. Lee's commandment and Mr. Thacker's. Sold and delivered to Mr. Pickering by Dr. Cavys commandment all the wheat and malt in the house. Delivered to Wm. Dune for the use of Dr. Lee, 12 "elmyng burdys (elm boards) and quarters" and one grindstone. To the King's gardener, 22 Nov., two loads of grafts and, 25 Nov., one load. To the cater of my lord Privy Seal's house three baskets of herbs. To the King's gardener, 23 Nov., 3 loads of bay trees. To the King's gardeners out of the orchard of the Charterhouse 3 trees grafts of all sorts "as doth appear by the pits where they were taken" in all 91 trees. Sold to Dr. Cave all the verjuice and vinegar. Delivered to Mr. Semer and Mr. Smyth on St. Nicholas even last 200 carps. Delivered to Foyerwyll pond to Dr. Layton 100 carps for the King's store. To Mr. Layton 12 carload of timber and 6 carload of stones. To Mr. Brooke all the new timber in the Charterhouse woodyard bought for the good man of the Splayed Eagle in Gratyus Strete. To Mr. Brooke all the hay that Dr. Bell (*qu* Bellasys?) left behind him. Mr. Dr. Layton's servant fetched away four "meulyng (?) bourdys," and all things belonging thereto. Delivered to Mr. Layton 3 boards in the bakehouse and a bundle of rosyers. To Mr. Haydon, receiver of the Charterhouse, all the wainscott in the corner cell, 23 Jan.,* and 32 pipes of lead by commandment of the Chancellor. Mr. Haydon has also taken and laid up all the timber and stones he could find for the King's use. Delivered to the said Mr. Haydon 22 cases of glass taken down by Owen "for fear of stealing." To Wm. Myles, servant to my lord Privy Seal, the custody of the barbarer and the cell adjoining to it by commandment of Dr. Lee and Mr. Layton, 28 Jan.

"Item whereas he said that I, the said keeper, should have the charge of the church, I never so had as it shall be proved; for the truth is that Mr. Dr. Cave hath had the keys of the church ever since the house was suppressed and hath it at this day." Also where they would charge me with 7 cells next to the church I never had the keeping of them, but one Jerarde Hydon first after the suppression of the house had the keeping of 5 of them, and that of Sir Arthur Darcy's house, "and after that Hidon entred the earl of Angwyse to the said house, and 5 cells and after the said earl entered Sir Marmaduke Cunstabyll to the said house and 5 cells and occupies them to this day." As for the other two, one has been in the keeping of Mr. Tawbote since the suppression. "Item, so remaineth in the keeping of William Dayll the 27th day of February by the commandment of the chancellor of the Augmentation 20 cells, certain lodgings with a hall, a kitchen, a buttery, a wine cellar, the old brewhouse with 2 leads and mash fattes, 2 "yell fattes," and 20 kymnelle in the same, three stables, the sawpit, the washing house with one place called the "fyshall" with 4 houses of office under the same, two chambers, and the conduit, the new brewhouse with a great lead and 3 fattes in the same, a horse mill which is above the old brewhouse with divers things appertaining to the same." Item, delivered to the said Dayll by command of the

* This and the other dates following would appear to be of the year 1539.

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chancellor of the Augmentations, the custody of all the stuff remaining in the store house. For the remaining 20 cells there was a keeper whose name was Thos. Gromys, servant to Dr. Lee, which Thos. sold to Jerarde Haydon all the wainscott in one great cell for 26*s.* 8*d.* There was one little Sir William defaced and took down all the new wainscott in a cell lately built to his own use; but one William Dayll, and George Wudwurth, servants to my lord Privy Seal, found the said wainscott where he had laid it up, and we took it away from thence, and kept it to such time as we were prisoned, and then we were glad to sell it to help us with." The other 2 cells of the said 20, which Mr. Cavton did keep, are spoiled, but not, I think, owing to the said Cavton or any of his folks who never hurt the said house or orchard, "but as an honest man and true kepar, and so did none but only Mr. Hurde; and the said Cauton keeper of the said orchard." Mr. Fehew brought me a gold ring for a token from Mr. Ric. Cromwell to deliver to him all the wainscott in one cell as it stood. The great clock was bought by Mr. Myns, and Mr. Polsteyd sent me a ring off his finger to deliver the said clock, but I told him Dr. Kew (Cave) had the keys of the belfry, so his servant delivered the clock to Mr. Myn. The said Haydon had laid up a house full of wainscott, within Sir Arthur Darcy's house, and has since carried it off. He gathered all the wood, timber, and stone to the King's use. Thos. Owen took down 25 cases of glass and delivered them to Haydon for the King's use. Owen also took away 6 cisterns of lead and delivered them to Haydon. Owen has all the watercocks remaining in the house and one of the 6 tables of the frater. Hylton in Chancery Lane has another. Davyson at Paul's Wharf has another, which he carried through the Earl of Angus' house. All the wainscot that doth lack within the frater was given to Mr. Swordbearer of London by Mr. Thacker's token. All the wainscot, lead and glass lacking in the three cells in Sir Marm. Constable's keeping was clean gone before he came. The wainscot lacking in the prior's cell was 4 pieces, which I delivered to Thos. Owen. I have taken down as much glass as did make and repair a dozen windows in the porter's lodge and other places. The rest I will depose I never had. All the cocks and pipes wanting were sold by Thos. Owen to the following persons:—Sir Marm. Constable, Mr. Wm. Nevill, Robt. Assbe, Wm. Moon, —— (*blank*) Blomefyld, John Wootton, Roodys the capper and Mr. Gower. The brethren of the house were licensed by the visitors to take such things as were meet for them, as Thomas Owen and John Waver say who took with them much of the wainscot. Dr. Bellos had away the table and a pair of tressels, and the hangings, and a paper called *mappa mundi.* Dr. Layton's servant took away the new cupboard, and the bench out of the drinking buttery; Dr. Cave's servant, a round table from the buttery and another from the prior's parlour. The visitors had all the rest of the stuff in the church, viz, chalices, vestments, &c. They gave away 4 great painted tables standing "in every four corner" of the cloister. They took all the beds in the guest chamber, and gave them and books to the brethren who dwelt in the said cells. As Mr. Myldmay, the King's auditor, has sworn me Wm. Dayll to declare the truth as to all the stuff gone out of the Charterhouse, I desire you to have Jerarde Haydon and brother Richard and Thos. Owen to be sworn what things they have known go out. Also pray speak a poor word for me, a poor man who has kept the Charterhouse a year and a half, and was promised by the visitors 8*d.* a day for doing so, but I have only had 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, for which I did lose the best yeoman's master in this realm, who gave me 5*l.* and 3 liveries a year. My wife lies sick this twelve months, and your mastership has the name of taking pity on every poor man and woman. *Signed:* By me William Daylle.

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24 Nov. **904.** BISHOPRIC OF ELY.

Close Roll, 30 Hen. VIII., p. 1, No. 61.

Indenture made 24 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. between the King on the one part, and Thomas bp. of Ely and Robert, the prior, and the convent of St. Awdre's in Ely, Camb., on the other part, of the sale, by the said bishop, &c., to the Crown, of the manor of Hatfeld and the advowson and patronage of the church of Hatfeld, Herts, with all appurtenances except the manor of Tarterege in the parish of Hatfeld, Herts, to be concluded before Pentecost next. The lands are worth 60*l.* 15*s.* 2½*d.* over and above all charges except an annuity of 40*s.* granted by the said bishop to Richard Legh for life, and 3*d.* a day granted to Peter Brune as keeper of the park called the Great Wood, and 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* lately granted to Ric. Crues for keeping the middle park, a fee to Nic. Warcope for keeping the manor place, and a fee of 40*s.* a year to Mr. Ant. Denye; the Crown to be free of all charges except these and 40*s.* a year for life to Nic. Warcoppe as bailey and the same to John Gooderyk and Lyon his son as steward of the manor of Hatfeld. In return, the King sells to the said bishop the sites, &c., of the late priories of Ikelyngton and Swaffham Bulbek, Camb., with the fair of Ikelyngton which belonged to the late priory, the manor of Imphey Hall in Buttesbury and Harfordstok, Essex, which belonged to Ikelyngton, the manor of Ikelyngton which belonged to the late monastery of West Dereham, Norf., the grange called the Hovells in Ikelyngton and Strattall, Camb., which belonged to the late monastery of Tiltey, Essex, with all other possessions in Ikelyngton, Swaffham Bulbek, Mildenhale, Ditton Valance, Stretehall, Moche Chesterford, Littelbury, Elmyngdon, Cresshall, Duxford, Hyngeston, Asshedon, Newmarker (*elsewhere* Newmarket), St. Edmund's Bury, Hadley, Buttesbury, and Harfordstok, in cos. Camb., Suff., and Essex, which belonged to the late monasteries of Ikelyngton, Swaffham Bulbek, Tiltey, Calder, and Westdereham; also the following advowsons:—of the parish church of Hagworthingham, Linc., which belonged to the late monastery of Berdeney, Linc.; of the parish church of Barley, Herts, which belonged to the late monastery of Chatteres, Camb.; and of the vicarages of Ikelyngton and Swaffham Bulbek; to hold by a rent of 28*l.* as tenth, with all rights and the five days' fair at Ikelyngton at the Feast of St. Mary Magdalen. Sealed the year and day above written.

English.

Memorandum of acknowledgment, 10 March, by the bishop, at Downeham, and by the prior and convent, in their Chapter House, before Wm. Meye, clk.

24 Nov. **905.** THOMAS, PRIOR OF MALVERNE, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

He and his brethren have thought it expedient to ask the King's pleasure how they shall order themselves. Desires Cromwell's favour. Malverne, 24 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Nov. **906.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

As to what you write that my lord Privy Seal says that I will not bind him by his promise, I will not. God's and the King's and his shall always be my pleasure. Obtain a letter from him that Simon Lychelad may have this gunner's room. The vice-treasurer has written to his brother to suffer no man to be admitted but according to the Act; so every man has preëminence except myself, and thus I am every man's dogbolt. I want no money till you come, when I shall make you a true account what a good husband I have been. I send you 13 partridges. Do not forget my gowns. If my Lord wants French wine I can send him a piece or two.

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906. LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE—*cont.*

Mr. Porter is sore sick. Pray utter it not, and as he does I will send you word. Send me six dozen black ribbon points and two pair of hosen. Calais, 24 Nov.

Pray beg some venison against Christmas. Mr. Wryseley desires his commendation and will be here before Christmas. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.*

24 Nov. **907.** ITALIAN MERCHANTS.

Vitell. B. XIV. 281. B. M.

A mercantile letter in Italian to some agents in London about a vessel which was obliged to refit. The writer's name, if it was ever appended, has been lost by the mutilation of the MS., and the handwriting being a little peculiar, the names even on the address are uncertain. There is some reference to wines at Southampton (*Antona*), but nothing apparently in the whole letter in the way of political intelligence.

Pp. 2. *Mutilated. Add. Endd.:* A lettre in [Italian].

25 Nov. **908.** LONDON, ST. HELEN'S PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 638.

Surrender (by Mary the prioress and the convent) of the house and all its possessions in London, in co. Midd., and elsewhere in England, Wales, and the Marches thereof. 25 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *No signatures.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 29.]

Seal almost gone.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 43] as acknowledged same day before Wm. Peter, King's Commissioner.

25 Nov. **909.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

"My nowne sweetheart," be a suitor to my lord Privy Seal that Walter Jonys may have Hew Lychladis room "as George Brown made to write two tymes for hym, and now dysalowyt hym." Mr. Treasurer writes to Thos. Fowler that whomsoever I may admit his brother shall not suffer him to be sworn. "Sir Richard Wynkfeld, in his time was in that case, and he came to the Exchequer, and commanded him to swear his man that he had named, and he would not, and he knocked his head to the post, and his man sworyn: if I shall be a dogbolt to any man here I had liever die, and if I put in one that is not able to ser[ve] the King and do his duty let me answer to it, and be punished. And I pray you say to my lord Admiral and my lord Privy Seal ever[y] man is master of his room save I, and surely I will be at no man's commandment here but the King's." Calais, 25 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

25 Nov. **910.** BALTHAZAR VANDER GRACHT to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

I beg you to remember your promise, for I am informed the hackney or gelding you promised me is come from England and is in your stable, and if you will not send it at least return me my horse. Pollinchoue, 25 Nov. 1538.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

26 Nov. **911.** KATHARINE BULKELEY, Abbess of Godstow, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis, 3d Ser. iii. 233.

I write to thank you for the stay of Dr. London, who was here ready to suppress this house against my will and all my sisters', for which you shall have my prayers during life. We have obeyed your letters for the preferment of Dr. Owen to our demesnes and stock. Be assured there is neither Pope, Purgatory, image nor pilgrimage nor praying to dead Saints used amongst us. Godstow, 26 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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26 Nov. **912.** PONTEFRACT BLACK FRIARS.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 623.

Surrender of the priory and all its possessions as well in England and the Marches thereof as elsewhere. 26 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Rob. Dae* [prior], Ric. B . . . doctor, *and* 6 *others, the last being a novice not professed.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eight Report, App. II. 38.]

Seal gone.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 75] without mem. of acknowledgment.

26 Nov. **913.** SIR JOHN BONDE, Priest, to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

I have received your letter. The fishing makes but 8*l.* this year. There are 30 good salmons and 15 little fishes in the salt. Only 2*s.* 4*d.* was received for mastage. John Davy has written to you touching Bery's payment. I beseech you to be good to him this time. I intend to be with you about Twelfth Day. Your mill will be down unless "sooner" remedy be had. Thank God for your safe coming home, for here was great discomfort. My lady Chamond had a doe at Womberlegh at the marriage of her son, and Mrs. Saintaubyn another at that of her daughter. Your game was fair at Michaelmas, but many die since. Womberlegh, the morrow of St. Katharine's Day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* viscountess Lissle.

26 Nov. **914.** CASTELNAU, Bishop of Tarbes, to FRANCIS I.

Ribier I. 260.

Received his letters by Philip Strozzi's man, and also those which Dom Diego de Mendoza brought, who has done well in declaring the great cheer Francis made to the queen of Hungary. Before Dom Diego came the Emperor had spoken of it, and wished his turn might come some day to make good cheer with Francis and take the pastime of the chase with him. Is not yet informed of the articles agreed upon between the deputies of Francis and those of the Queen, but the Emperor approves of the ratification of the truce which Francis wishes the duke of Savoy to make. Only, before writing to the Duke he desired Granvelle to examine the said ratification; and yesterday the writer showed it to him and "de Cour" (Covos), who found it very reasonable. The Duke, he said, complained that since the last ratification Marshal de Montéjan had taken some town from him, and it was only right that everything to the prejudice of the truce should be repaired, so that the Emperor might apply elsewhere the forces he employs to keep places in Piedmont. In the end they proposed to speak to the Duke's ambassador, and advise the Emperor to write to the Duke to make the ratification in the form sent by Francis. Meanwhile takes the opportunity of a messenger sent by Mons. de Châlons to the duke of Lorraine to inform Francis that the ambassador† and the gentleman of the Chamber‡ sent hither by the king of England had told the Emperor the day before that their master was willing to marry the duchess of Milan with such conditions as the Emperor would prescribe, and also marry his eldest daughter to the Infant of Portugal or some one whom the Emperor would appoint, and do generally what the Emperor wished, provided they enter on a stricter alliance. Nevertheless, notwithstanding that King's great offers, the Emperor, knowing that he wishes to secure his pensions by these marriages, will neither do nor think anything that may turn to the prejudice of Francis, and is willing to bind himself not to treat of these marriages with the king of England, nor of any other alliance, if Francis will promise the same. Thinks the Emperor would be glad to make a particular treaty to this effect before breaking off negociations with England, which he intends meanwhile

* Called Daye in the text. † Sir Thomas Wyatt. ‡ Philip Hoby.

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to entertain till he knows the will of Francis. Nevertheless he is sending back the gentleman who apparently has come for this object, pretending to remit everything to the queen of Hungary, though she has no power to conclude anything. The Emperor begs this may be kept secret till matters are settled between him and Francis.

The disposition of the Emperor and those about him is excellent, especially of Granvelle, who continually sets forth the advantages of friendly relations, and says the Emperor is so strongly impressed with the good that he and Francis might do to Christendom that he has said to him several times since Brissac's departure that he had heretofore lost the North in his affairs, desiring to unite his House with that of the king of the Romans by marriages, but for some time past he had been convinced of what Granvelle had often suggested to him,—that it is necessary for the good of Christendom that your House and his should be firmly allied, and that if they should come to be united in one person, although the deaths that must previously occur would be both numerous and important, yet the whole of Christendom would be none the worse of it, and that he perceives all other alliances are trifling, and would create more inconveniences than advantages. Granvelle and the others also told the writer yesterday, in talking of the practices of the king of England, that the Emperor had shown them how much he felt bound to Francis for his daily good offices of friendship, and that he would never listen to any offers from the English if he did not think it were as much for the advantage of Francis as of himself.

A letter has come from André Doria to the Emperor, imputing the misfortune which has overtaken the squadron (*l'armée*) of the League, partly to contrary winds which made the ships useless, and partly to the Venetian general, who, seeing the galleys ill-supplied with soldiers, would not man them with Spaniards, though he was obliged afterwards, at Doria's remonstrance, to take 150 Spanish soldiers for each galley, and thus equipped they left Corfu, determined to go and besiege Castelnovo to compel Barbarossa to fight if he meant to raise the siege. Since Doria's letter came the Pope's nuncio has shown other letters of which I send you a copy translated into Spanish; but the Emperor does not attach much importance to them. Toledo, 26 Nov. 1538.

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26 (?) Nov. **915.** CASTELNAU, Bishop of Tarbes, to the CONSTABLE (MONTMORENCY).*

Ribier i. 263. Has received his letters by Dom Diego de Mendoce, and had previously received those brought by Philip Strozzi's man. The Emperor declines to make a distinct answer about Strozzi's liberation till he has examined the charges against him. Fears the matter will be protracted by the Nuncio. Granvelle says the Emperor will pardon everything unless he has been implicated in the conspiracy against the late duke Alexander. Will see what information he can get from the Emperor, and send back Strozzi's man to inform the Constable about that and the duke of Savoy's ratification. The Constable will see by his letter to Francis that they have not spoken to him of what concerns the Prince of Orange and the seigneurie of Anguien. Granvelle told him some days before the conversation which he and the "Commandeur de Cour" † had with the writer, that the English ambassador was offering *carte blanche* to the Emperor, but that he had counselled him to decline the king of England's proposals, both because he was perverted

* The heading in Ribier is "Au Connestable," but no original address is given.

† Here and in the preceding letter "Cour" is clearly a misreading, by Ribier or his editor, of the name "Covos."

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from the Faith, and because his alliance would affect Francis, as by means of it England intended to secure the recovery of his pensions. The Emperor, however, before refusing the proposed marriages, must be assured that Francis will act towards him in the same way, and that both bind themselves to make no new alliances with England without mutual consent. Granvelle adds that he wishes very much that the kingdom of France, which now seems tributary on account of the English pension, should be freed both for the past and for the future; and this only for the sake of France itself, for the king of England can do no harm to the Emperor; and that if this treaty be once concluded, they can discuss further matters, such as the prohibition of commerce which was formerly talked about; and though Granvelle has not spoken to me of the efforts made by the Pope's nuncio with the Emperor to hinder the practices of the king of England, I have learned something about it, especially as the Nuncio told me he thought the Pope would send a gentleman to Francis about the matter of England. It would be well, therefore, to cause Francis' intention to be understood here at once, that the Emperor may continue or abandon the said practice accordingly.

Is compelled to write what he daily hears, that the Emperor is resolved to make the marriages, as De Brissac will have told you, and if the Empress, who has some voice in this matter, had seen the duke of Orleans, that she and all the lords of Spain would have been marvellous glad that he should marry the Princess, and that there would be good hope of the Emperor doing something before he left Spain to requite the honor done him by Francis; that the friendship and confidence between them has been so great that there is no fear but the Emperor will treat Orleans as his own son, and that, coming to see him as a Prince, without regard to what so great a King's son deserves, no one in Christendom will consider that Francis humbles himself to the Emperor, but that he has sent his son for the rescue of Christendom against the Turks. The friendship between Francis and the Emperor is now so great, and visibly increasing, that it is acknowledged even by those accustomed to interpret things ill, and among others by the English ambassador, who has already begun to fear that it will bring good to those to whom his master does not wish it. Toledo, 20 [26th ?] Nov. 1538.

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27 Nov. **916.** TUNSTALL to CROMWELL.

Harl. 283, f. 142. B. M.

The King, in penning himself the instructions that go into Flanders and Spain, asked me a question which I cannot answer without seeing the treaty of Cambray, viz., whether that treaty, containing a league defensive *ad expensas requirentis*, extend to all the Emperor's dominions or to the Low Countries only. I showed him that the peace was made to renew amity after the war denounced but not entered, but whether the article of mutual defence was general or particular I could not say. I think he will confer with you on this point at your next repair to him. Hampton Court, 27 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Letters that came out of my Lord's dining chamber.

27 Nov. **917.** YORK, GREY FRIARS.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 623.

Surrender (by Wm. Vavasour, S.T.P., prior or warden of the convent) of the priory and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof and elsewhere. 27 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Will'mus Vavasur, *and by* 20 *others, five of whom are novices.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 51.]

Seal slightly injured.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 74] without mem. of acknowledgment.

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917. York, Grey Friars—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Warrant for the assurance to Dr. Wm. Vavisour, prior of the Grey Friars, York, of a pension of 5*l.* a year; addressed to Sir Ric. Riche, Chancellor of Augmentations. *Signed by Sir George Lawson, Ric. Bellysys, Wm. Blythman, and James Rokeby, auditor, the King's Commissioners.*

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27 Nov. **918.** York, Black Friars or Les Toftes.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 622. Surrender (by Brian Godsone, prior or warden, and the convent) of the priory and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof or elsewhere. 27 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Brian Godsun *and six other priests, two of whom sign with marks, and four novices, two of whom also sign with marks.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 51.]

Seal injured.

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27 Nov. **919.** York, White Friars.

R. O. Rymer xiv. 622. Surrender of the house and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof or elsewhere. 27 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Simon Clarkesun (Clerkson in the text), prior, *nine priests, and three novices.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 51.]

Seal defaced.

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27 Nov. **920.** Lord Lisle to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Will be glad to have her home, but begs she will end her suits first. Has written to Huse. Has ordered Nich. Roland not to tarry. I and your daughters are in good health and are visited every day. Can say no more than he has touching his annuity and the Friars. Had liever leave this than be undone, and begs her to tell the lord Privy Seal so. "Touching Peynswyk, I am sure you will not depart from it with loss, and you and I cannot live with fair words." Calais, 27 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

27 Nov. **921.** Wm. London to Lady Lisle.

R. O. My lord is in good health and merry, and most merry when he hears your ladyship to be the same. He blames us your poor officers for getting no better meat to send to you, for he hears what resort you have and fears you should lack. He says there was never child desired the nurse more than he desires your ladyship. It rejoices him and all his friends to hear of the King's entertainment of you. Mrs. Frances is in good health, but you will not find her so "praty" as you left her. Mrs. Phylypp's ague does not hold her as sore as it did. All your household is in good health except Francis, whom my lord has put away and sworn Harresse's brother in his room, and taken little Robyn, Mr. Bowser's man, into the stable. I trust you will like all things well at your return, which I pray God send shortly, with all my lord's suits and yours. Calais, 27 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* At London.

28 Nov. **922.** Edm. Bonner, Bishop of Hereford.

See Grants in November, Nos. 42–44.

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28 Nov. **923.** HENRY VIII. to [WYATT].

Harl. MS. 282, f. 59. B. M. Nott's Wyatt, 499.

By Wyatt's letters of the 9th inst., the secret sending whereof and Wyatt's diligence the King commends, it appears that the Emperor accepts the King's friendly monitions, and has declared the terms in which he stands, which Wyatt refers to the coming of Henry's servant, Hoby. No doubt the Emperor takes them in good part, for they proceeded only from fervent affection, but it is strange how coldly he proceeds in the marriage of the lady Mary and the Infant Don Ludovic. Although he offered, by word of mouth to Wyatt at Villa Franca, and by his ambassadors here, to give Milan to Don Ludovic, and after the truce and his meeting with the French king at Aquas Mortuas, being in his galleys ready to sail, repeated to Wyatt that he was still willing and at liberty to fulfil his overtures, and then at Barcelona said that, for concluding the alliances and stricter amity, he had sent a commission to the queen of Hungary, now he and his Council tell Wyatt that the occasion to give Milan to Don Ludovic is past. His sayings in the galleys and at Barcelona seem very contrary to the answer now given. Wyatt is, therefore, to say to him, that, upon his promise to send a commission to the lady Regent to treat of the straiter amity and the alliances, the King, about Michaelmas last, sent Wriothesley and two other commissioners* to treat with the lady Regent, expecting that she would set forth the overtures as frankly as the Emperor had done. The said commissioners were first remitted to treat after the meeting of the lady Regent with the French king at Compiègne. After five or six weeks' tarrying, when they began to treat they were surprised to find that the commission sent to the lady Regent is very general, she being alone in it without express power to substitute commissioners under her. She has appointed for her part the duke of Arscot, Mons. de Hoghstrate, and Mons. de Lykirke, and a doctor of law called Score, with whom the commissioners were content to confer. When the commissioners frankly opened their minds, requiring Milan to be given according to the Emperor's offer made at Villa Franca, confirmed at his departure from Aquas Mortuas and again at Barcelona, the said Duke, &c., said they knew of no such offer, and that if it had been offered it was not accepted in time, and they must know further the Emperor's pleasure. Then they expressed surprise at the request that the lady Mary should be taken in that degree in which she stands by the laws of the realm, to succeed only in default of lawful issue, and thought the Emperor would refuse it, if only for the honour of Don Ludovic. Thirdly, to the demand that Don Ludovic should take oath that in the event of his succeeding to the throne he would observe inviolate the laws of this realm, they said that such an oath beforehand was not customary.

These answers show great coldness in them and in the Emperor, who has sent such a commission without instructions in those points which were either already granted by him or assented to by Chapuys and Don Diego, who was expressly sent to treat the same. Can only think that the Emperor has changed his mind and no longer likes the marriage. Wyatt shall therefore say to the Emperor that, being zealous for the peace of Christendom, and loth that the giving of Milan should stir further war, the King intends to press that matter no further, but will be glad, upon reasonable conditions, to make a marriage of his own person with the duchess of Milan, provided her dote be paid and her dowry assigned in some such good place as his towns of Antwerp, Ghent, Brussels, Bruges, or Mechlin will be bound for, or else to be assured upon bankers. Not that the King regards greatly the money, but he would be loth to have it said that, through his negligence, she was disappointed of her right. As the Emperor gives nothing with her but what is hers in right he cannot object to this; and the King will, on his part, assign her such a dowry as queens of England usually have. As for the straiter amity the King is ready to make a league to "denounce to all the

* Vaughan and Carne.

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world" that whosoever shall be the Emperor's enemy shall be his, and shall have no aid from him, provided the Emperor be reciprocally bound. Also that if any invasion be made upon Flanders, Holland, Zealand, Hainault, Artois and Namur, or any countries adjoining which were the Emperor's at the making of the last amity at Cambray, "Heading (Hesdin) with the last French king's gain only except," the King will be bound to assist in their defence with 5,000 men by land and 1,500 or 2,000 by sea, at his own charge for three months; provided that the Emperor will similarly aid in the defence of the King's realms with 1,200 men of arms, each furnished with three good horses, and 1,500 or 2,000 soldiers for the sea, the Emperor in all his treaties with France to comprehend the King and his pension. Considering how extended and open the Emperor's dominions are, and how strong and strait are the King's, there is no doubt but if they really wish the amity they will agree to this. Will further, on like conditions, be bound to treat with no outward prince without the Emperor's assent, nor to make peace with any with whom he is at war without including the Emperor as a principal contrahent, nor accept conditions to his detriment.

Though the Emperor is not disposed to the marriage of the lady Mary to Don Ludovic with Milan, yet, as she is his near kinswoman, the King trusts he will advise how she may be well bestowed. Wyatt shall, as of himself, ask him to think over the matter, and promise himself to do the same against the next day, when he shall ask leave to wait on him again for his advice. Next day then Wyatt shall say that he has thought she might be well bestowed to the young duke of Cleves and Juliers, or else to the now duke of Urbyn. Wyatt shall note by his countenance how he takes them, and if he think them not meet, but names some other, then he shall, as of himself, desire him to write to the King of it. As to giving estate to the lady Mary and Don Ludovic in England, assigning him 30,000 crs. or 25,000 crs. a year, no doubt they would like it; but the King's Council have, for good reasons, dissuaded him from it, and Wyatt shall therefore give them no encouragement to hope for it. Hampton Court, 28 Nov. *Signed at the head.*

Pp. 10. *Endd.:* By Nicholas the Courier.

28 Nov. **924.** CROMWELL to WYATT.

Harl. MS. 282, f. 217. B. M.

I have received from the bearer, Nicholas the courier, your letters to the King, signed by you and my friend Hoby, and also a letter in cipher. Both have been delivered to the King, as his Grace's answer will show. The King is pleased with his diligence and dexterity. Has paid to Mr. Bonvixi the 200*l.* which Wyatt lent Sir Fras. Bryan. Has very oft to pay what others borrow. Doubtless he has heard, by way of Flanders, how the marquis of Exeter and lord Montague are committed to the Tower for horrible treasons, known, not by light suspicion, but by proofs and confessions. When their conspiracies and ingratitude to the King, to whom they owed all they had, are disclosed, all honest hearts will abominate their wretchedness and malice. No other news of importance. The King, Prince, the ladies, his daughters, and his Council are merry.

On the 16th inst. the King, for the reverence of the holy sacrament of the altar, sat openly in his hall at the judgment of "a miserable heretic sacramentary,"* who was burned the 20th inst. "It was a wonder to see how princely, with how excellent gravity and inestimable majesty his Highness exercised there the very office of a supreme head of his Church of England, how benignly his Grace assayed to convert the miserable man, how strong and manifest reasons his Highness alleged against him." The potentates of Christendom, could they have seen it, would have marvelled at

* Lambert.

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his wisdom and reputed him "the mirror and light of all other kings and princes in Christendom." It was openly done, with great solemnity; and no doubt some of Wyatt's friends will write of it.

John Toles, Ric. Fermour, and other merchants, are unduly protracted in their suits there for depredations committed by the Emperor's subjects. Begs Wyatt to solicit the Emperor for them. The King has granted them a letter to the Emperor for this.

Wyatt must call upon the Emperor to send full instructions into Flanders for the expedition of the matters there, that the King's ambassadors may proceed with their affairs. London, 28 Nov. 1538.

At the time of the condemnation of the sacramentary the King caused proclamations to be made. Encloses a printed copy. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd. by Wyatt's clerk:* brought by Nicholas the Courier.

28 Nov. **925.** HENRY VIII. to [WRIOTHESLEY, VAUGHAN, and CARNE.]

R. O. S. P. VIII. 102.

Perceived by their letters of the 20th, the cold proceedings of the Regent and those appointed by her to confer with them, notwithstanding their fair words. Wonders that the commission sent by the Emperor is so general, and that the Regent is not expressly authorized to substitute any commissioners under her, especially as the Emperor promised to send ample commission and full instructions as well as to answer the three points concerning the marriage of the lady Mary and the Infant Don Ludovic. The first, concerning Milan to be given to the Infant, was the Emperor's own offer by "Mr. Wyatt our ambassador, and by both his ambassadors also resident here, from Villafranca, also confirmed to our said ambassador by his own words in his galley departing from Aquas Mortuas, where he said that notwithstanding all the truce and meeting, he continued of that good inclination towards us and was as free to stand to his offers as he was before." This he repeated to our said ambassador at Barcelona when he promised to send the Regent full power and instructions. The other two points have often been already granted in conference with our commissioners, both by Chapuys and Don Diego de Mendoza, who was sent expressly to treat of the same marriage. But by their answer there and Wyatt's report from Spain that the occasion to give Milan to Don Ludovic is past which they profess to lament, we think they are not much inclined towards the said marriage, and have written to Wyatt to know the Emperor's determination. You are therefore to seek audience with the Regent and the commissioners again, and say we wonder that they are so imperfectly instructed, especially that they know nothing of the Emperor's offer about Milan and the other two points above referred to, but that the King consents to wait for a further answer.

Meanwhile they shall proceed to the other two points, viz. the marriage between the King and the duchess of Milan and the negociation of a stricter amity. Before proceeding to any conference they shall insist on obtaining from the queen Regent a letter signed by her own hand promising to abide by what is concluded by her deputies.* On obtaining this they shall desire them frankly to show their whole minds what they wish to be concluded; after hearing which they shall further proceed to show that of the King expressed in his last letters, viz. that he will be content to enter such a league with the Emperor, as to show the world that whoever shall be his enemy shall be the King's also, and that the King will not aid anyone in making war against the Emperor, but that if Flanders, Holland, &c., be invaded he will be bound to their defence, except Hesdin with the last French king's gain. He will bring to his aid 5,000 footmen, archers and soldiers by land, and 1,500 or 2,000 soldiers well equipped for the sea at the King's charge for three months, provided he will

* The names of Arscot and Hoghstrat cancelled.

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at his charge aid and defend the King with 1,200 men of arms well horsed, and 1,500 or 2,000 soldiers well equipped for sea in case of any attempted invasion of England. As these articles are more to their advantage than ours, seeing their countries are so much larger and more exposed, we cannot believe but that they will readily agree to them. We agree also not to treat with any other prince without the Emperor's knowledge if he will be so bound towards us, &c. Further, for the establishment of perpetual amity between the Low Countries and England, we shall be bound with our cities and towns for the aid above offered if the Emperor with their cities and towns will be bound likewise.* They shall then urge them to equal frankness concerning the marriage with the duchess of Milan, to declare what dote and dowry they intend to give her, where it shall be assigned, how it shall be paid and what assurance shall be given for the payment; for if good assurance were withheld it would be dishonourable. Moreover, as the Emperor gives nothing else with her but what is her own, he must for his honour devise how she may be assigned for her payment upon sure places, such as the principal towns of the Low Countries, and you shall be suitors to the Queen Regent that she being a dowager should have respect for another dowager, and intercede that such assignment might be made; but if they make a difficulty you are not to press them, provided they make sufficient assignation otherwise. Hampton Court, 28 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

Corrected draft.

R. O. 2. Earlier draft of the preceding with some omissions, ending:—

†["Concerning the straiter amity, we did likewise instruct you of our whole mind, wherein we do persist still, except that in case ye cannot bring them (if the Frenchmen would deny our pension or delay the payment of the same) to agree to any invasion to be made upon France, as we think they would be loth to do during this truce, our pleasure is ye shall not much stick upon it," but at the last, agree that in case they will assist us with the number of horsemen and soldiers mentioned in our last, we will furnish the same number for defence of the Low Countries, for which the principal English towns as well as Antwerp, Bruges, &c., should be mutually bound.]

Further, as they have already demanded that the commissioners should show sufficient powers, they are to insist before further conferences on their obtaining a letter signed by the Queen promising to ratify everything agreed to by the duke of Arscot, Hoghestrat and others.

Draft much corrected. Pp. 11.

28 Nov. **926.** LADY LISLE to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I thank you for your partridges and baked hare. Touching my son's inheritance, I would have had a fine levied and the land surrendered, but my lord Privy Seal would not allow it, saying the King's pleasure should be fulfilled, and so upon that he concluded that the earl of Bridgwater should be bound to my son in 10,000*l.* to annihilate the covenants between himself and the earl of Hertford, and not alienate any of my son's inheritance. And this is done before the lord Chancellor and the Council. I have acknowledged the surrender of my right in Paynswick and Morton Valence on condition that when they are assured to my lord Privy Seal he shall pay us an annual rent of 120*l.*; but he claims the 1,000*l.* which was your interest after the death of your wife, in recompense of what he has done for us in our affairs. It grieves me; for if it had not been for your displeasure, I

* A passage similar in effect to the cancelled passage in § 2 is here inserted but cancelled.
† This passage is cancelled.

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would never have condescended thereto. He said your annuity should not be more than 200*l.* Howbeit I will speak to the King before I depart, and first with my Lord, and as I find him, so I will use myself; for if it were not for his displeasure I would move the King in it myself. For the gunner's room I will be in hand with my Lord as I see time. Your gown is making and your hosen, shirts and six dozen points, and the venison shall not be forgotten. I should be sorry if I did not return before Mr. Wryothesley. I pray God send Mr. Porter his health, though it be not deserved on his behalf towards me. I send you by Vernam 2 does packed in a barrell. I have found Mr. Tuke most gentle and loving unto me. He has made me the best cheer that ever I had in my life. Send him a letter of thanks. He gave me this day two green geese which I wished were with you. London, 28 Nov. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.*

28 Nov. **927.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 386.

Sends Sir Henry ad Cortbeke, the Dutch priest, to receive the 20*l.* which on Tuesday last Cromwell said he would deliver to him. Asks that he may have letters of denization and appoint one to procure it for him, or else he will never obtain it, for he cannot speak English and has no acquaintance to promote his cause. Wishes Cromwell to speak for him to the King that he may have some honest stipend. Lambeth, 28 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

28 Nov. **928.** YORK, AUSTIN FRIARS.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 623.

Surrender (by John Aske prior or warden and the convent) of the house and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof or elsewhere, 28 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Ask, *nine priests, and four novices.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 51.]

Seal defaced.

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28 Nov. **929.** YORK, ST. ANDREW'S PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 624.

Surrender (by prior and convent) of the house and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof or elsewhere. 28 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Lepyngton, prior, *and* 3 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 51.]

Seal defaced.

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28 Nov. **930.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O.

Longs to hear from her. Understands my Lord* will cut him off 200*l.* a year of what the King promised him, alleging it was too much to be borne out of his coffers. Would rather leave all than be so dealt with. Would be content with the priory of Plumton in Devonshire with the cattle though he gave 100*l.* a year. Perceives that his Lordship is not so good a friend to them as he thought. Make all things sure for our most profit before you come, and trust no words but deeds, "for when we are gone all is gone." Calais, 28 Nov.

P.S. *in his own hand:*—No man would gladlier have his wife's company. I am sorry that ye will bring my daughter Bridget with you. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

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28 Nov. **931.** Lord Lisle to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Has received her letter "this 17th day of this month" about Paynswike and Lisle's annuity "and how my Lord* will cut me off 200*l.* a year which he granted me. Wherefore seeing that he will put me to the loss of 1,000*l.* for Paynswike, which should be to the utter undoing of us both, I will utterly refuse the same." If by the advice of Mr. Pollard and Hussay we can have the priory of Plumton in Devonshire for our lives, or 21 years with all its appurtenances, sales of wood, defacing of the house, with advowsons of the churches, paying the King the dismes as the prior doth now, which shall appear in the Chancellor's book of the Augmentation, I would release our right to Paynswike and Morton Vallance if my lord Privy Seal would lend us 1,000*l.* to be paid again in five years, "which should serve for the possession of your son Basset's lands out of the hands of the earl of Bridgwater." I shall be willing to give a good fee to Mr. Pollard if he can bring this to pass. I thank you heartily for your venison. Send me no money till you come home yourself, for whom I long as much as a child for his nurse. Calais, 28 Nov. *Signed.*

P.S.—"Mr. Rockwood sendeth you a porpoise, I pray you let my lord Privy Seal have a piece."

Pp. 2. *Add.*

R. O. 2. Copy of the same.

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28 Nov. **932.** Council of Ireland to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. III. 105 Since the arrival of Aylmer and Alen they have had no acknowledgment how the King takes their advertisements of news. Doubt the continuance of peace, as James of Desmond since the Deputy's last journey in Munster is stronger than the earls of Desmond ever were and is joined by the lord of Kerey, Lord Barrey, the knight of the Valley, the White knight, and others of English blood there, if he make an insurrection, aided by the Breenes and other Irish friends, he may destroy the earl of Ormond. Advise the sending over of the other James† (who seems to be the true heir) to oppose him and so keep his hands full. Suspect ONeil, as young Gerald has been sent to him by James of Desmond, OBreen and the Geraldines.

The Deputy says he has practised to get young Gerald, but the thing is now more unlikely than ever. The King should write to the Deputy "to do things by deliberation and counsel" and respect the laws.

Edmund Sexton, who now repairs thither was accused to the Council, by the commons of Limerick, of high treason and committed to Dublin Castle. For matters touching the King's revenue he has required to be released on bail. Think little of his devices as they depend upon the earl of Desmond. Think his going is to work mischief to the good city of Limerick who abhor him as he is of Irish blood although he has been made denizen by the King and so has been mayor there contrary to the liberties of the city. His kin are Geraldines and part of them were slain in defending Maynooth. Beg for artillery and amendment of the soldier's wages. Dublin, 28 Nov. *Signed* Georgius Dublin.——J. Rawson, p. of Kyllmaynam ——William Brabazon——Gerald Aylmer——John Alen——Thomas Lutrel justice——Richard Delahid baron.

In Thomas Alen's hand. Add: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Cromwell.

† Fitz Maurice.

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29 Nov. **933.** THOMAS LORD AUDELEY of WALDEN.

R. O. Memorandum of the creation of Sir Thos. Audeley as baron of Parliament and baron Audeley of Walden, Essex. 24 (should be 29) Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

P. 1. *In a later hand. Endd. by Cecil.*

See GRANTS in NOVEMBER, No. 52.

934. RIC. BP. OF DOVER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Pursuant to Cromwell's commission for collection of the money gathered by the heads of the Friars to have purchased of the King the confirmation of their privileges, examined Dr. Calle in Norwich. He confessed that his religion* had collected about 40*l.*, which rests in the hands of the late wardens of London and Greenwich, except 10*l.* which he had lately received from them, and for repayment of which he agreed to give the Bishop an obligation. While the Bishop was away at Walsingham he went with Mr. Paston to London to get a release of the 10*l.*, so Cromwell can use his pleasure in the matter. Honest men are afraid to take charge of the Black Friars at Norwich for fear of the lead on the aisles and the glass in the windows being stolen. Has therefore sold all that was there except the lead and glass, and hired one to keep the house. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Richard Deverys.

29 Nov. **935.** RIC. BP. OF DOVER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received at Clare his letter concerning the delivery of that house and the implements to Ric. Frende, and has done so. The implements would not pay the debts and save the plate and lead for the King. The jewels were pledged for 33*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, which he has paid out of other money of the King's and so received them to the King's use. Has left the house and implements in Frend's custody by indenture. The lands, besides the orchards, are about 38 acres, arable, pasture, and meadow, worth about 4*l.* a year, but 21*s.* 1½*d.* is paid out of them in rents, and 10*s.* granted out by convent seal, so that their clear value is 48*s.* 10½*d.* There is 15 or 16 fother of lead. The house is tiled and in much decay. Frende paid all his costs in Clare. Was told by the vicar and others that certain men of no good judgment have made a bill against the dean of Stoke, Dr. Parker,† for preaching. Those of better learning think there was no fault to be found in the sermon, and the charge comes from the malice of Dr. Stokes,‡ whom Cromwell late delivered out of prison, for before his return to London there were no such words heard. The Dean hath ever been of a good judgment and set forth the Word of God after a good manner. For this he suffers some grudge. Clare, 29 Nov., towards Colchester. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Nov. **936.** FRANCES BASSET to LADY LISLE.

R. O. I have received your letters by Nich. Roland. The things you wrote for before I delivered to the master of Philip Crayer's ship, and Nicholas says they were delivered to your ladyship. I sent the nightcaps with them. Five of the cushions have been made already, but I lack silk for filling in the dark green. Half an ounce will be enough. I made your recommendations to lady Garnishe. Mr. Grey is amended, and waxes a goodly child. Thank you for remembering me to Master Basset, who has sent me a letter by Roland. My sister Philippe is better of her ague. My breasts are amended. Mrs.

* The Order of Grey Friars, of which he was provincial.
† Matthew Parker, afterwards archbp. of Canterbury.
‡ See Vol. XI., No. 1,216, which may be of the present year.

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936. Frances Basset to Lady Lisle—*cont.*

Boys and Mrs. Broke desire commendations. The former sends you a gold ring with a diamond, and I also send another. Calais, 29 Nov.

Lady Garnish sends you a ring with a sapphire, and she trusts when you come home Mr. Gray shall meet you without the gates with his cap in his hand. My sister Philippe sends you Our Lady of Boulogne here enclosed for a token. Mrs. London sends you a ring with a turquoise. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.*

29 Nov. **937.** John Alen to Cromwell.

R. O.

The Council have written the news. Mr. Treasurer is informed by a Scot called George —— (*blank*) (who for fear of death, "which of likelihood he deserved," last year fled from the Scotch Court, where he was the King's servant, and came to Ireland where he conquered a small corner of country in the North) that lord Mon Gomerey and four Scotch knights have come, since Mr. Treasurer was last in the North, with letters to Alex. Carraghe, the great captain of the Scots here; and that young Gerald and his company came and crossed with them to Scotland. These Scots "under the said Caher Carraghe" say the Emperor and French King will make war on England, and the Scottish king will assist the said Alexander and Gerald to subdue Ireland. ONeil has married the said Alexander's sister or daughter. ODonell is favoured by the king of Scots, who sends him tokens and receives from him hawks and hobbies and such pleasures. This George favours not Alex. Carraghe, and his sayings against him are therefore to be discredited; but he telleth a shrewd likely tale how the said Alexander "being in company with Mr. Treasurer had devised the means how young Gerald should have taken or killed the said treasurer." Likes not this habitation of Scots in the North when he remembers their practices in Edward III.'s days.

If the chief ruler here be removed it should be in the dead of winter, and meanwhile a full conclusion should be taken with those who submitted when the Commissioners were here, especially OChonor, or else I fear, upon the change, there will be a broil. Pardons and letters should be sent to ONeil and ODonel. It is a good precedent that these Irishmen desire the King's pardon.

Remember the memorial made to you by Mr. Sentleger, Mr. Moile, the Chief Justice, and me, in which is an article touching the prior of Kilmainham, who is old and impotent and has done good service. He is not like to live long, the less so as the Deputy has told him his prioralty shall be taken away, to his great grief. Thanks for preferment to the room of Chancellor. Reminds him how insufficient 100 mks. a year is to maintain the room; but he would willingly spend all he has in the King's service. Desires a letter to the Under Treasurer for his rewards.

Your servant, Matth. Kyng, being suspected of reports "betwixt my lord Deputy and Mr. Treasurer, since my last arrival in both their presences declared himself an honest man in that behalf" and so I beg favour for him. Dublin, 29 Nov. *Signed.*

Thomas Alen's hand, pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* "Of much importance."

29 Nov. **938.** John Ratlef to Cromwell.

Vesp. C. vii. 85. B. M.

Begs Cromwell to pardon his boldness in writing. Hopes to do service to the King in Spain. Could send him news from these parts in the absence of the ambassador who was here from the King, or give information to any new ambassador that comes. Considers himself the King's faithful subject, being "rrepostero de su Camara," or groom of the

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Chamber as it is called there, and his Highness's sworn servant. Has often spoken with his Highness and done him service both in the land (England?) and elsewhere, and helped his subjects in Spain in their business. Desires to be appointed solicitor for the King's business in the Court of Spain with a suitable salary, and consul of the English nation; for Don Thomas Wiet has gained the goodwill of the Emperor who will hold good all that the King does by patent. Toledo, 29 Nov. 1538. *Signed.*

Spanish, pp. 2. *Add.*

29 Nov. **939.** CHARLES V. to FIGUERROA.†

Add. MS. 28,590 f. 275. B. M.

Mainly matters connected with next year's enterprise against the Turk. A packet will be sent him from Milan directed to the English ambassador in this Court; when it comes he shall forward it under cover to the Emperor.

Spanish, pp. 9. *Headed:* De Toledo, 29 Nov. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.*

29 Nov. **940.** CHARLES V. to LOPE HURTADO DE MENDOZA.

Add. MS. 28,590 f. 280. B. M.

Marriage of the Duchess (of Florence). Is willing that it shall consummated soon. Lope Hurtado and his wife shall continue with the Duchess.

Spanish, pp. 5. *Headed:* Toledo, 29 Nov. 1538. *Modern copy from Simancas.*

29 Nov. **941.** LUIS SARMIENTO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,590 f. 283. B. M.

* * * Told the King and Queen and Infant Don Luis, as commanded, that a gentleman‡ had come from the king of England and had, jointly with the English resident ambassador,§ spoken to the Emperor about the enterprise against the Turk, and the risk of going in person and necessity of putting his realms in security—seeking to put in suspicion the amity of the king of France. Told them also what the said ambassadors said of the marriage of Don Luis with the princess of England, and the Emperor's answers. They approved all that had been done and said nothing further about the dowry.

Portuguese matters. Lisbon, Friday, 29 Nov. 1538.

Spanish, pp. 6. *Modern copy from Simancas.*

30 Nov. **942.** LADY LISLE to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

The time for my present business is so unsuitable "that if I appointed a time this seven years I could not have chanced in such another." I have waited for my lord Privy Seal four days, and he tells me he cannot speak with me till after Wednesday. Meantime I dare not take my leave of the King for fear of my Lord's displeasure. I have "recognised" my interest in Paynswick, before one judge and wait for the other, who is in the country on the King's business. The earl of Bridgewater has not yet delivered his recognizance. I will let you know how affairs go after seeing my lord Privy Seal. I send you a doe brought by Ralph Rigsby. London, 30 Nov.

Please burn my letters. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

† Don Gomez Suarez de Figueroa, Imperial ambassador at Genoa.
‡ Philip Hoby. § Sir Thomas Wyat.

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30 Nov. R. O. **943.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

Has searched his evidences and can find no writings betwixt him and my lord Marquis. Begs he will make search in my Lady's closet at Calais, otherwise he cannot discover the nature of the covenant. My lord of Bridgewater has not yet surrendered his book. As to your annuity, such matters are in hand that there is little furtherance for suits. Hopes the time will come for it, and likewise for the Friars. My Lady has surrendered her rights to Paynswick before a judge. The 1,000*l.* is forgotten. Your Lordship is like to be no gainer. London, St. Andrew's Day.

My Lady sends him a doe.

Hol. p. 1. *Sealed. Add.*

30 Nov. R. O. **944.** JOHN VERNON to CROMWELL.

I received your Lordship's letter, dated 22nd Nov., in favour of William Saltforde to be my under-sheriff in the county of Stafford, by the said Saltforde, 28 Nov., before which time I had appointed Merke Wyrley, my servant, this bearer, to the room. I would he enjoyed it, but I remit all to your Lordship's pleasure. 30 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

30 Nov. R. O. Rymer XIV., 631. **945.** BYLAND (BELLA LANDA) ABBEY.

Surrender (by John Ledys *alias* Alanbrig, abbot, and the convent) of the monastery and all its possessions in co. York and elsewhere in England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland, and the marches thereof. 30 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed* by John Allanbridge, abbot, 20 *priests, and four others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 13.]

Without seal.

Enrolled [*Close Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 77] without mem. of acknowledgment.

30 Nov. R. O. Rymer, XIV. 613. **946.** DONINGTON TRINITARIAN FRIARS.

Surrender (by the minister and convent) to John London, clk., of the house and all its possessions in England to the King's use. Appointing Ambrose Clarke and John Reddyng, laymen, as attorneys to receive and deliver the same to the said John London. 30 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Henry Whete [minister] *and* Ric. Ungull. [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 19.]

Seal injured.

Enrolled [*Close Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 50] without mem. of acknowledgment.

30 Nov. Add. MS. 32,646, f. 118. B. M. Hamilton Papers, No. 49. **947.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

His officers of the marches are impeded in the apprehension of malefactors who daily commit attemptates in Scotland. Asks Henry to write to his officers to lend their assistance. Falkland, 30 Nov. 26 Jac. V. *Signed.*

Much mutilated and destroyed by damp.

30 Nov. Calig. E. IV. 10. B. M. **948.** BONNER to [HENRY VIII.].

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. . . . . he differred his . . . . . .

. . . . . [B]oys Vincent and with him came Mo[ns.] . . . . . .

. . . . . [Ve]ndosme, and tharchbishop of Myllan,† and aft[er] . . . . . ter, and Madame Dolphynes in an

† Ippolito d'Este, who was made a cardinal on the 20th December following.

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other, and after theym bo[th] . . . . . gentilwomen upon horseback, Mons. Dolphin arry[ved] . . . . . tymes like a young man he doth) the xxviij^ty of this, and . . . . . in Mons. Conestable's house, there as the counte Palatine d . . . . . in to Spayne, whereof I wrote of late to my singular good l[ord Privy Seal]

"This last of November being Saint Andrewes Day I repai[red]. . . . . to shew myself there, as also to see what countenance they . . . . . and with all to see and mark the doings there. The French king [was minded to] have heard his mass this day abroad at a church nigh the [church of St.] Garmayn Doceras,* and what changed his purpose I cannot tell . . . . . chapel stuff that was sent before to the said church, w . . . . . and the chapel within the Lover† was prepared for mass, to which . . . . . King not very openly as he was accustomed but by his pryv[y] . . . . . company of noblemen, having at that time upon him his [the robe and collar per]teyning to themperour's order given and received at Aq̃ Mortes, ... themperour. Lustie he did appear, and offered at the said ma[ss] . . . . . mass was done he came by me and passed forth towards th . . . . . within the chapel he put off his robe and collar, the great m[aster in] passing by gave me good morrow, and the King in his jakk[et] . . . . . privy stairs to his chamber again. The wearing of his r[obe and collar after] this sort seemed to me that he was not greatly proud . . . . . to be seen much abroad in it, and only done rather for man[ner] . . . . . The saying is that Mons. de Brissac hath not brought out [of Spain the most] comfortablest news for the French king in his desires, and yet . . . . . upon it. It was my fortune, standing in the chapel th . . . . . bishop of Paris called cardinal Below, and Mons. de Bisc, captain of Bo[ulogne] . . . . . softly to ask of the tother what tidings he had out of Eng[land] . . . . . answered that he heard that the marquis of Excestre and divers oth[ers were put in ward] and that the Marquis within six days should lose his head. Oh! saith th . . . . . what with hanging, brenning, and heding they make there good riddance . . . . . commyned together in their ears so that I could no further hear. The tilt here at the Lover is set up again, and justes here shall be and . . . . . especially between Mons. de Nevers and the daughter‡ of Madame Vandosme . . . . the other affiance being the said Count and the other sister that died about vj weeks . . . . . I shall by God's grace give vigilant eye to their doings here and advertise you . . . . . hitherto I have been very strangely and very unkindly used in my lodgings and o . . . . . having no kind of friendship showed unto me in manner that was worth gram[mercy. What] will be hereafter I cannot tell. I shall endeavour myself to have it if it be possible. And th[us] I recommend me to your gracious Highness, beseeching Almighty God long and well to preserve the [same in all] kind of prosperity. Written at Paris the last day of November at night by the rude hand of [him that is] your grace's most bounden beadsman, chaplain, and servant Ed[mond Bonar]."

Hol., p. 1. *Top and right side much injured.*

30 Nov. R. O. **949.** EDMUND HARVEL to CROMWELL.

Wrote last on the 25th. The bishop of Rome has made a solemn convocation in which it was determined to make war against the young duke of Urbin for the duchy of Camerin. The said Bishop musters men and has

* St. Germain d'Auxerrois. † The Louvre.

‡ Mary eldest daughter of Charles duke of Vendôme died 28 Sept. 1538. Francis count of Nevers married her sister in the same year. Anderson's Genealogies, 629.

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revoked his galleys, which are with Andrea Doria, to turn them against the said Urbin, and excommunicates those who give the duke aid. This gives general offence that he should trouble Italy at the present time and leave the Turk. Great inconvenience will follow, for the duke is courageous, and will invade the Pope's country, having about 24 valiant captains about him. Besides, the Venetians will not abandon him, and have written to the Pope in his favour; and, unless the Emperor favour the Pope, the dukes of Ferrara and Mantua will aid Urbino. People fear also that the Fernesi are seeking to be masters of Florence, and by this new affinity of the Emperor's daughter with the house of Fernesi men suspect many things.

By letters from Corfu of the 14th, the Turkish army had returned towards Levant, and was about 20 miles beyond Corfu. They have lost many galleys and foists by tempest. If the Christians had fought the Turks they would have had an easy victory, for they had only 80 galleys and 45 foists ill-manned. The Genoese blamed the Venetians for this, saying they were never disposed to fight, and were returning to Corfu when Andrea Doria would have begun the battle. But the Venetians say the fault was with Doria. I think these men would not gladly see the Emperor gain such victory as would make him paramount, for if the Turks were ruined they could not reign long after. By letters out of Spain of the 14th inst., the Emperor has sent 100,000 ducats to Andrea Doria with orders not to depart from the Venetians, but keep all together this winter; and before the letters came Andrea Doria had fully determined to have departed to Puglia; at which these men were much aggrieved, as Barbarossa was then at Vallona, and their voice was openly that they would counsel their State to agree with the Turk. Thus there is no stability in the league against Turks. The Turk is returned to Constantinople with much loss of men in this expedition against the Caraboldan, some say to the number of 30,000 by war and sickness. It is reported the French are dissatisfied with the Emperor not giving them the duchy of Milan. The French ambassador is always in great favour with the Turk, and Frenchmen use the Turk's country in merchandise, both in Constantinople and Alexandria; which shows there is good friendship betwcen the two princes. It is said the Emperor was preparing to come to Italy, but the great men of Spain objected, and many think nothing will follow next year against the Turk. Venice, 30 Nov. 1538.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

30 Nov. **950.** CARD. POLE to GRANVELLE.

Poli Epp. II. 120. The more horrible the news from England about the affairs of religion the more both piety and patriotism urge him to remind the Emperor of this cause, although already it has been commended by the Pope. Knowing his influence with the Emperor, begs him to favour that cause. Rome, ult. Nov. 1538.

Latin.

Ib. 121. 2. A similar letter of the same date to the Emperor's Confessor.

Latin.

30 Nov. **951.** CHARLES V.

Ribier, I. 267. Instructions to the abp. of Lunden* sent back to Germany on matters concerning the Faith and resistance to the Turk. Toledo, 30 Nov. 1538.

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* Misprinted Limden in Ribier.

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Nov. **952.** JOHN BOTOLFF to SIR GREGORY BOTOLPH.

R. O. Sends enclosed an unsealed letter which he requests him to seal and deliver as soon as possible, "for it concerneth my honesty; and therein ye shall see how shamefully I and my servant are deceived." It will be Tuesday or Wednesday before the ship that is to bring your fish can leave the haven. Doubts if he can send him any ling, but if not will send money to buy them at London. Let me know "whether Mr. John Bokyngham have discharged me against John Baddyll of Hinde or not, and how my business do in the Arches," and how Mr. Woodford has done with you. If Mr. Bekingham has not paid the money, will send as many herrings as shall discharge it. Speak with Mr. Jonson the fishmonger, and see if you can sell him three or four lasts, &c. From Leystoft, scribbled in my bed in haste this Saturday morning.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my brother Sir Gregory Botolff, at Jamys Hubbert's in Seynt Katerynys, servant with my lord Lyle, debyte of Calcys. *Headed by Sir Gregory:* "Scriptum in anno Domini 1538 et in mense Novembris." *In the margin is also written by Sir Gregory:* "The chaspes. Sir Henry. Robert Rose. The fish. My nightcap. A basin for my chamber. My boots at the Bell. My sarcenet. My tyke. Nue fustean for my doublet and slops. My cowncell for Gardner and for my obligacions. Serten questyons to Mr. Beckyngame for caddes." *Also, on the back of the letter by Sir Gregory:* "Styllyd water of sage and styllyd water of rosemary, a curtesy of roche (?) alam water myxyd with a lytell hony." *Endorsement by another hand:* Grace Totyngham.

953. ROBT. [FERRAR], Prior of St. Oswald's, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks him to accept a simple token which the bearer Sir John Gybson will deliver to him. There are almost none in these parts who sincerely, plainly, and diligently preach the Gospel, the people so hungrily desirous to hear and learn. Rodderham, Doncaster, Pontfrette, Wakefeylde, Leydys, Bradforde, Halyfaxe, Manchester, and many others, have not one faithful preacher that he can hear of. Newcastle and the country round is also destitute of good pastors. Thinks of going thither after Christmas "to prove if it may please the Lord to give them any light through my poor service in His Word."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The parsonage of Bambroghe.

954. CROMWELL'S MEMORANDA FOR THE INDICTMENTS.

R. O. "First [a]t Horsleye in the county of Surrey and also at London i[n the ma[rq]uis of Excester's house called the Red Rose beside Saint Lawrans P[ountney]; and also at the lady of Sarum house [in Walbr]oke in London foresaid." (*In margin, in Cromwell's hand:* "The fyrst poynt"; *and below in Pollard's:* "syns the statut"; *and again by Pollard, in a more cramped writing:* "The Lord never lovyd the Kyng, at hys mother howse at London . . . at Bukmer.")

"[The bur]nyng of the letters with all the communycacy[on between]e Sir Geffery Pole, the lord Mown[tague and Co]lyns h[is] priest at B[okm]er in the coun[ty of Buck]ingham; and also the writing and sending of [the] letters between the lord Marquis, the lady Marquis, and the lord Mowntacue hath been from Bukmer in [Buckingham]shire to Horseley in Surrey, and from Horseley to Bukmer in Buckinghamshire. The common bearer of the said letters hath been one Tyrell and one Thomas Fottman, servant to marquis of Excester."

In Cromwell's hand, p. 1. *Mutilated.*

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954. Cromwell's Memoranda for the Indictments—*cont.*

*** *On the back in Pollard's hand are two articles each commencing:* "Hyt apperyth," *but very illegible. In the first are the words:* "for what causes he grudged at . . . . . answereth for the plu[cki]ng down of abbeys . . . . . for that words in certain cases were made treason . . . . . so the King and the lord [Privy] Seyall did * * * " *and afterwards:* "lord Montague at Bukmer." *The second is:* "It appeareth by his last examination . . . . . a fantasy only of himself [con]ceived . . . . . which was at the death of the . . . . . lady [Ma]ry should have a title to th[e] Crown."

955. Against Lord Montague.

R. O. Paper headed "The Lord Montacute," being an abstract of evidence against him.

(1.) Lady Salisbury has confessed that he and Sir Geoffrey Pole told her the King had sent over sea to kill Cardinal Pole. (2.) Colyns the priest showed him of the burning of the letters at Luftington. (3.) Sir Geoffrey showed him of Hugh Holland's visit to the Cardinal and the message he brought. (4.) He showed Colyns two letters from the Cardinal to him and his mother, and the copy of letters to the bishop of Duresme, and asked his opinion of them. (5.) He left the letters to the bishop of Duresme with Colyns, and now this last summer required them again and burned them. (6.) He said "a time" would come, and if they lasted till then their only fear was that they should lack honest men. (7.) Another time he said, [The King] will [die], his leg will kill him. (8.) He said lord Darcy in the last insurrection played the fool, for he "went to pluck away the council: he should first have begun with the head; but I beshrew them for leaving off so soon." (9.) He sent Sir Geoffrey, when the King was last at Calais, to the Princess Dowager, and caused Sir Geoffrey to be disguised at Calais. (10.) "Thatt yow have sayed that your brother the Cardinall should do good one day." (11.) Lord Montacute said when the lady Marquis was lately sick that but for her wisdom the lord Marquis "could not abide this world, and that he feared he would die before the time." (12.) He said at Stanstead, because the King when in Sussex did not visit his mother, "Well, let it pass, we shall thank them one day," &c. (13.) Colyns told him Sir Geoffrey would go over seas, and advised him to see his debts paid: he answered he had "provided a stay for that matter well enough, for the said Sir Geoffrey was discharged of many of the said debts."

Pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

956. The Marquis of Exeter and Lord Montague.

R. O. Cromwell's Notes of the Evidence.

* * * (*about six lines almost wholly illegible*) "lying and thar . . . . . a mery worlde on [day] and th . . . . . harde . . . sayd lorde Marques and the l . . . . . secr (?) . . . . . ycyons together sa . . that . . . . . wolde amende oon daye. And that also . . . . lorde Mowntagew hathe declaryd . . . . lyke saying of [the] sayd Marques unto the sayd Sir Jeff[rey Pole] . . . . dyvers and many tymes within this ij yeres aswell at Bukmar as at London as also at Luffyngton otherwise called Lordyngton at his owne howse and (?) dy (?) . . . . . that the sayd [lorde] Marques woolde kyll hym . . . . . ff . . . . .

* * * (*about two-thirds of page 2 almost wholly illegible*). "Item, he sayth that the lorde Mowntagew tolde hym of hym

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(*sic*) dreme that the [King's] Highnes sholde be deade w . . . . . Bokmer a yere and a halfe passyd . . . . . he remembryth not but it was abowt Shoreffetyde (?).

"Item, he sayth that Sir [Edwarde] Nevell tolde him th[at the] Kyng was a best [and] woor[se tha]n a best at the Kyng's [Palace] at Westm. and"

* * * (*on the first half of p. 3, words are legible only here and there*). "Item, the sayd Sir [Jeffrey] sayth that yff [the letters] whiche were bornyd at Bokmere [and] also at Loffyngton myght have come to light they would have sufficientlye decl[ared] all things by the sayd Sir Geffrey . . . . . and also many other things of grette importance & of all the intelygence betwene [the lorde] Mowntagew & the lorde Marques . . . . lorde Mowntacue & the ladye Marques . . . . .

* * * (*last page illegible all but the words* "the sworde," *and one or two other scattered words*).

Pp. 4. *In Cromwell's hand, with legal notes in the margin by Ric. Pollard which are all almost illegible except one at the end of p. 3, which is,* "Hyt [appeareth] that ther was contanyd treason yn thos letters that wher burnyd." *Very much injured by damp. Written perhaps on an inner sheet of the same paper as No.* 957.

957. Cromwell's Notes of Evidence.

R. O. "The communications between Ge[ffra]ye Polle, and Sir Edw. N[ev]yll hath been in the King's palace at Westminster and at Cowdrey, the lord Admiral's house." Songs and jests of Sir Edw. Nevyll were at [H]orseley in the garden, "and the words touching the insu[rre]ccyon, which was 'Beware of the thyr[d],' was spoken at Wyndsor." Communications between Sir Geoffrey Pole and Croftes were for the most part at Sir Geoffrey's house of Luffyngton, Hants., and sometimes at Crofte's house at Chichester.

P. 1. *In Cromwell's hand on the second leaf of a sheet of paper, on which a letter had been commenced by a clerk with the words:* "My Lord, after my most——"

958. Lord Montague.

R. O. Counts to be inserted in the indictment of lord Montague, mostly those contained in the indictments in the *Baga de Secretis* (No. 979), but with these additional sayings imputed to him:—"The King doth not come this summer to Warblyngton. Well, let it pass; we shall thank them one day that did let the same;" and "This worlde wolle torne upsedowne."

P. 1. *Very mutilated and injured by damp. Headed in Pollard's hand:* ". . . . . yn the indyc[tment agains]t the lord Montegue."

959. Lord Montague and the Marquis of Exeter.

R. O. Notes for the prosecution, headed: "Jerome Ragland."

Points in the evidence of Sir Geoff. Pole, Colyns, and Hugh Holland against lord Montacute which are confirmed by Ragland, *i. e.* (1.) that Montacute disliked the King's proceedings and grudged against those who ruled about the King; (2.) lamented the death of lord Aburgaveny in whom he trusted; (3.) disliked the pulling down of abbeys [and trusted] to see them up again; (4.) lamented the sickness of the lord* Marquis; (5.) had secret intelligence with the Marquis, for Raglond confesses that Tyrrell went often between them, and he has seen "a big fellow in a taw[ny coat] . . . . . e the lord Marques in message to the lord [Montacute];" (6.) said

* Of the "lady Marquis" in Sir G. Pole's deposition. *See* No. 804 (6), p. 318.

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"the King's promise is not now to be believed, but is used for a policy," &c., and if the Commons rose again they would trust none of them; (7.) that Geoffrey Pole would have gone over seas, &c.

In Pollard's hand, pp. 2. *The numbers are not in original;* (3.) *is in the evidence of Pole and Colyns;* (6.) *in that of Colyns;* (7.) *in that of Pole and Holland, and the rest in that of Pole alone.*

960. LORD MONTAGUE.

R. O. "Objections of high [tr]eason to be objected against Henry lor[d M]ountacute."

1. Croftes said that Sir Anthony Seyntmount had warned him to beware of Sir Henry Owen, who had spoken to Thos. Alen to accuse Croftes to the lord Privy Seal, saying that Croftes "could tell great things of great confederacies between the lord Marquis, lord Mountacute, and the lord De la Warre." 2. Montague said that he had lived in prison these six years, and that Sir Geoffrey told him the keeping of letters "might do a man's friend hurt. [And] lord M. said, 'Marry, I have burned them.'"

3. Collyns says that the lord M. and he, coming by the Augmentation house said: "This house is the cause of the commotion," adding "that the lords had such a gate opened that they might reform many things if they would." 4. Collyns said that the lord M., after the pacifying of the insurrection, said it was noised that a parliament should be kept at York for reformation of their requests, and that the time had been when nothing was more sure than the promise of a King, "but now they count it no promise, but a policy to blind the people;" adding that if the people should rise again they would trust no promise.

5. Lord M. said to Collyns "that the King nor the lord Privy Seal l[ove]d no honest men, nor would have none about them, and that they by rewards and promotion had corrupted the minds of many honest men." 6. Collyns says the lord M. said that cardinal P. one day should do his country good, and further that cardinal Wolsey had been an honest man if he had had an honest master, adding that he was not so evil a man as he was taken for, and things were done worse now than they were then.

7. Morgan Wellys says there was a voice in the lord M's house that card. P. should do them all good one day. 8. [Holland says that Throgmerton desired him to commend him to the lord M. by the token that they had communed together at his last being in England in a certain place out of his remembrance, and further that he should not stir till he came to him.]* 9. Geoffrey Pole confesses that he showed the lord M. all such things as the messenger who came from the Cardinal had showed him, but says he declared not who was the messenger. 10. Hugh Holland says he showed lord M. that Geoffrey Pole was very desirous to go over sea and he wondered why. "Marry," said lord M., "I charge you meddle not with that in any wise." 11. Holland confesses that Geoffrey Pole showed him, when he stirred the said Holland to go over sea, that the lord M. would as fain be over as he. 12. Geoff. Pole says in his last examination that the lord Montague told him "the King never made man but he destroyed him again, other by displeasure or with the sword." 13. Sir Geoffrey says "that Collyns and Jerome Ragland were divers times present when lord Montague and he talked secretly of the proceedings of the King and of the not liking of this world."

In Pollard's hand, pp 3. *Opposite each paragraph the name* "Baker" *is written, indicating that the matter was to be laid before the Attorney-General.*

* This count is crossed out.

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961. Against the MARQUIS OF EXETER.

R. O. "An abbreviation of th'old accusation* against the lord Marquis of Exeter."

Gilbert Becket heard say that Wm. Kendal, servant to the Marquis, did put men in readiness at an hour's warning (*In margin:* "Papiro primo the iij article, which was by the commandment of the lord Mercas"). Heard Wm. Cleker say the same. Kendal said it was for the matter between lord Montjoye and Sir Anthony Willoughby.

Peter Corringdon says that Quynterel, servant to the Marquis, desired Ric. Harrys to be retained to Kendal for the Marquis, "who was heir apparent, and in case the King should die or marry, the Marquis should be King." Ric. Kendal told Hoblyn, tenant to Gilbert Becket, that he (Kendal) must make shortly 100 men. (*In margin:* "The j article in the viij paper. Richard Harrys affirmeth it.")

John Amadas, serjeant-at-arms, heard from John Cornishe, the King's servant, John Holdich and Reynold Mone, that Kendal retained many men for the Marquis.

Peter Bowden heard one of Kendal's servants say, "We care not and the King taketh Sir Anthony Willoughbye's part, for our master shall wear the garland at the last." (*In margin:* "The first article in the first paper.")

John Litel, of the Guard, says Kendal told him the Marquis had sent for men to the country, and Mr. Lowre had sent him four, and he, Kendal, would send him a tall fellow and two more.

John Herell, with Ric. Harry and Wm. Nicoll, was at Quynterell's house, who desired Herell and Harrys to be sworn to Wm. Kendal, "and if the K.'s Grace marry my lady Ann, there will be need of such good fellows."

Walter Geaffo (?) went to Edmund Rwnold from Wm. Kendal to pray him to be ready at an hour's warning to go with Kendal, "and that there should go a hundred good fellows more than he knew of."

Joan, wife of Thos. Saye, heard John Davy, clothier, say before Walter Potter and others in John Asheley's house, the "date of the King was almost out, and that there was but four or five years to come, and then my lord Marquis would be King and they lords." (*In margin:* "John Cleker, Edmund Rythe, and Wm. Baker confessed to Mr. Eggecomb this to be the saying of Joan made unto them afore that.")

Thos. Saye heard, in a company of lord Montjoye's and other servants, Thos. Benet say "this matter wolbe holpen in shorter space than ye be ware, for my lord Marquis shall have the garland."

Edward More was told by Thos. Saye that John Sarnyngton, servant to lord Mountjoye, Wm. Choke, and others said "the King should have a breakfast before Michaelmas Day that he had never none such:" but Thos. Saye denies this. (*In margin:* "In the ij paper in the ij article.")

At the inquest on Thos. Rede, Edmund Ryeth, attorney, "challenged for the King and alleged causes maintenant forasmuch as the murderers servants to my lord of Mountjoye and the challenges servants to the lord Marquis; and one John Philip said" that he was servant to, and would challenge for, the said lord Marquis; and would suffer no further challenge, but admitted the same challenges in the jury, who found that Rede died of God's visitation and not murdered.

Pp. 2. *With marginal notes mostly in Ric. Pollard's hand.*

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* In 1531. *See* Vol. V., Nos. 340, 416 (pp. 161, 205), where "the young Marquis" has been wrongly identified with Dorset. Dorset was indeed much the younger of the two, but Exeter was continually called "the young Marquis." The undated instructions to John Becket and John Wrothe, printed in the Archæologia XXII. 20 from Harl. MS. 296, f. 35 b also refer to this matter and should have been noticed in Vol. V.

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961. Against the Marquis of Exeter—*cont.*

R. O. 2. A paper with mutilated title on first leaf: "Th . . . . . abyll . . . . . [Mar]ques . . . . . ."

"First, Coryngeton, Bekett and Amadas have certef[ied] thopinion (?) of certain persons that the lord Marques s[hould] wear the crown and some say the garl[and. Some] sayd he was heir apparant and sum sayd . . . . . d the lady Anne he sholde ha . . . . . Mechelmas daye." (*Here follows an item of four very mutilated lines, in which appear the words* "lady Marques in [h]abytt dys[guised],"—"by the assent,"—"to Canterbury," *and* "should live and who"; *then an item of five lines:* "Item (?), the lady Marques sent for the sa[id Nun]*. . . . . wher she hade a trawnse ffeyned to know how long the King s . . . . . the (?) woor . . . sholde goo unto w . . . . . [an]sweryd [th]at he sholde not . . . . . that her husband sholde r . . . . .; *then an item of five lines, in which* "Golde,"—"lord Marques," *and* "live past" *are almost the only words apparent*).

"Item, at the Parliament xxiij. the lord Marques of Exceter being at supper with the bishop of Carlyle [d]eceased, it happened Peter Larke to c[ome thith]er, being servant to the bishop of [Carlisle† and now to the] bishop of Winchester that time . . . . . lye in certain things tow . . . . . At w[hi]ch time the Marques . . . . . Larke. 'How d[oth my lord your ma]ster?' He answering, said . . . . . ch Marques answered and said '[Com]mend me to my Lord your master . . . . . him hold his . . . . lde and tell him . . . . . lack no help I.

[The lord] mer[quis a]fter the bearward . . . . . [Glouc]estershire the . . . . . o the Council.

"Edward Nevell thereof gave warning to the lord Marques; after the which the said Marques sent to me, the lord Privy Seal, one Anthony Hervye d . . . . . that he had heard of such a thing . . . . . the next day I the lord Privy [Seal]‡ m[ade the] King privy how the lord Mar[quis] . . . . . to me his Highness co . . . . . me to send to him and to [command him] upon his allegiance to declare who s . . . . . of the apprehension of . . . . . sent unto him Tho . . . . . who after he had declared [the King's] pleasure fownd the said Marq[uis the most a]ppallyd ma[n that] ever he sa[w] . . . . . his first . . . . . said . . . . . liever die than to disclose his friend, and consequently found the means that a servant of his was brought forth, who said it was told him in P[au]les, but of whom he could not [te]ll; and after that the said Marquis [tol]de Sir Edward Nevell that he . . . . . tyes (?) that he had satisfied me the lord [Privy] Seal.

"[Item, the said Marqu]es hath said he trusted to [see a new] world one d[ay]e, and that [knaves sh]ould not rule about the King.

"[Item], the lord Marques . . . . heard Sir E[dw]ard Nevell divers [and] many times [s]ing that he trust[ed] . . . . . that noble[men] should rule one . . . . . .

"Item, why should the Marquis have s . . . . . intelligence with the lord Montacue who . . . . l[ok]yd for an alteration, and that so s . . . . . [shoul]de come (?) between them, and that ey[ther of] them should burn others letters.

"Item, Geffrey Poole saith that n[either my] lord Marques ne yet the lord . . . . . did ever mislike all the King's . . . . . proceedings."

In Cromwell's hand, pp. 5. *Very mutilated and illegible.*

* Elizabeth Barton. † *See* Vol. III. No. 2345. ‡ This word is omitted in the text.

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962. Against Exeter and Others.

R. O. i. "Offences committed by the lord marquis of Exeter" against the King.

Extracts from depositions of witnesses whose evidence is referred to by folio and article in the margin. The witnesses are Sir Geoffrey Pole, Sir E. Nevyle, Colyns, priest; Constance Bontayne, Wm. Brent, Peter Bowdon,* Ric. Harrys, Gilbert Bekett,* one Hancock of Bere and Thos. Saye's wife, Edw. More, Kendal,* Roger Beket and John Worthe, John Mont,* Wm. Hoore,* John Herell,* Thos. Saye,* Joan Say, Peter Corryngton, Gilbert Bekett, and Roger Bekett* (Sir Edward Nevyle's evidence refers to the bearward, and in the margin is "For plain declaration of this see the lord Privy Seal's writing"). 33 *articles signed at the end by Cromwell.*

ii. Three similar articles against lord De la Warr from the evidence of Sir Geoffrey Pole, Sir Harry Owen, Morgan Myllys (*sic*). *Signed by Cromwell.*

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963. Bishop Sampson's Statement.

R. O. "[My l]ord Delaware cam to me in a morning to my [hou]se by the Stronde and stonding in a wyndow [spake] thes [w]ords: My Lord ye are my good [lord, and w]hat schalbe seyd I know not, bu[t] . . . an [ye] here ony thing seyd off me I pray yow aunswor ffor me os my good lord.

"I suyrly marveyled to here hym speke so, and [a]unswe[red] undyr this maner: My Lord [y]e are a noble man and os I trust a trew gentylman; iff ony thing be leyd to your charge that is not trew it cannot hurte yow; answor lyke a trew man.

"Rich. Cicester."

Hol., slightly mutilated.

964. Anne Barneys to [Cromwell].

R. O. Richard Freeston, one of the esquires for the Body, has spoken words against the King's grace and your Lordship, saying you do naught in taking away the bp. of Rome's high name and removing images. These words he spoke a month after Michaelmas last among a hundred priests at a month's mind which he made himself; whereupon I called him traitor in his own house, and so I call him every time I meet him. He maintains many false priests. I would have reported it before this, but was great with child, of which I have since been delivered.

P.S.—*In another hand:* Wallar, of Norwich, was present, and also one Wryseley, of Norwich.

P. 1. *Endd.*

965. ——— to [Sir Clement West].

Otho C. ix. 102. B. M. "[Right] honourable sir. My contynew[al duty premised]. Pleasing to understand yesterday your for[mer] . . . . . arrived here at Myssena where, by a young m[an] . . . . . from Malta, I have knowledge of your Mastership's goo[d will, which] always unto me creasythe most gladness, as the . . . . . like life and dear of all present mundane things . . . . . desirous to be had. These gallies doth now tarry he[re by order] of the Fytzeroye, as the captain promised at our d[eparting from] Bryndes, who cometh from Poolya by sea with the rest of . . . . . 45 galleys, whom we

* The sayings of these seem taken from the depositions of others.

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look for here every hour, where . . . . . the prince† to depart by land to the emperor. The king of Tu[nis sent] of late to the Viceroy again for succours against Sooza . . . . . done we cannot say unto his coming, but we think to retu[rn] . . . . . And since my other letter sent your Mastership from Curfoo ha . . . . . the 28th day of October, the Christian army did win Cast[el Nuovo, a] town of the Turks in Slavonia, but 30 miles from Ra[guse, which I] think is the best port of the sea known. The town of . . . . . a hold of little strength. The gallies of the religion were . . . . . thereof, whereby I was from that act kept away, contrar[y to my will], but only God worketh his will in all. By the way thy . . . . . the prince commanded and left these 4 galleys to remay[n] . . . . . the the Vyllona in Guardya for the coming after of the Turk . . . . . we continuing our termyno by the prince assigned . . . . . discovered none of them. Then our panatyca near spe[nt] . . . . . we resorted unto our army which was 120 miles to th . . . . . being in sure port much great storms was seen y . . . . . after the which past the prince furnished the town with . . . . . munition, and 4,000 soldiers with good provision of a[rtillery] for to keep it. The 3 banners of the Leege set upon . . . . . that is the Emperor, the Pope, and the Venetians, the ar[my] . . . . ready to come away, there arrived three galleys Candyotes . . . . . late departed which brought news that by the way comyn . . . . . [Vyllona]‡ at the Passo where we kept the watch near . . . . . by them was seen great wrecks, much timber of galleys pe . . . . .

"Upon which tidings was sent sundry brigantines to dy . . . . . And also letters came to the prince and to the general of the . . . . . certifying thereof by land from the dwelling places of . . . . . and other Christian men in that country, affirming t[hat] . . . . the sea coasts was seen so full of timber of galleys and . . . . . that they verily supposed Barba Rowse with all the . . . . . ys lost. Our bregantynes brought also word of xxx . . . . . and iij tymones they had seen in the sea or by the shore s . . . . . tokens, pieces of poops and postyces of 4 remys per ba[ncum] . . . . . So after all this certificate and knowledge had, the x . . . . . the army departed all from Castell Nova homeward . . . . . and the Venetians with the poopes towards Venice. A . . . . . galleon to Venice to make Karyna which for the [gret leke]† . . . . . ans thence now near three year and half. She hath much . . . . . great leak grown. All this journey with four pumps goo[ing, and] labour continually to keep her above the water to serve . . . . . which surely is a goodly and royal vessel to her greatness [as has been] seen upon the sea, and as well in order pointed of . . . . . [and] all other thing. And that well knoweth the Turks army. She dy . . . . . so well for else it would have been worse for some mo . . . . . The other lesser of theirs is gone again to wy . . . . . The xx of November at our arriving at Bryndes, w[e had] new word by passengers come over, but five days before . . . . departed, saying that Barba Rowse at his coming [towards Castel] Nova against us he passed through the Kanall . . . . . with 180 sails, whereof were 20 galleys then late co[me from Negro] ponte, charged with biscuit and faryna for them which w . . . . . than were at our before meeting, and at his retorny[ng thence] to Prevyza was seen but 144, so there lacked [six-and-thirty] all which upon the foresaid expressed our army . . . . . credit and believe certain they be so many lost . . . . . but his own galley is escaped clear . . . . . [A]llmightye God hath fought bette[r] . . . . . your mastership in * * *

Mutilated.

† Doria. ‡ Words crossed out.

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"[Right] honourable Sir. Ever more . . . . . Sir, this is for continuing the same . . . . . Christian army, being in all 140 galleys . . . . . the number of half hundred small sails venturers . . . . . departed all from this port of Curfoo the xxvth day . . . . . The same day in the evening the army surged at . . . . . port or river of Prevyza, where the Turk's army la[y] . . . . . The next morning issued forth to the mouth of . . . . . a dozen of the Turk's galleys, continent our army lyft . . . . . going furth under sail towards Shiffolonya, our g[alleys s]kirmishing with the Turks, shooting great artillery at [them and] they at us. In the which space divers of ours ymproched [their] galleys. Amongst the which the Religion was not behind . . . . . during the space of a large hour. The prince's galley . . . . . shoot recoil, where our Christian army at that time . . . . . the Turks came away from their enemies with honour . . . . . disfavourable sort of fortune. As the fair weather that y . . . . . we be not sure will be so tomorrow, even so as God h . . . . . all things to come. The next morning, being xxvij of . . . . . as ours were entering the Kanalle between Sancta Mavyr[a] . . . . . bound towards Morya we discovered the Turks a[s they] issued forth from Prevyza and coming after us whe . . . . . than with fresh wind in favour so well ships as galleys [we set] upon them, whom in short space under th[e said] Mavyra we fronted at large, letting the ships pass . . . . . our covert or bastion, and to give the first battle with ar[tillery] where the two barches of Venyse, the galleon of the Pry[nce and] the iij vessels formost with other good ships more a . . . . . all the rest following did their parts defending valye[ntly advan]ced themself against the Turks to their great damage . . . . . they came fiercely on, continually shooting great . . . . . our ships shooting destroyed much * * * . . . . . de for safeguard from . . . . . ane. In this mean time after Myde d[ay . . . . . the] wind waxed calm. Then the Prince's ga[lleon . . . . t]he banner to battell. To the which Barba Rowse gallye . . . . . Than our galleys blew the trumpet to battell, purp[osing to fight] owr enemies, wherunto all the 50 galleys Ponentynes . . . . . foreward made forwards ready to set upon them, but . . . . . [brig]antynes, Venetians and poopes (Pope's) galleys did not come furth . . . . . to, notwithstanding they not so well as we armed of men . . . . . feigned hearts drew at large and far back behind, which . . . . . and poco anymo perceived was great discourage unto us, and . . . . . g the best. That day the galleys without shooting one piece a . . . . . our enemies the prince with all his recoiled large, to the which the . . . . . very ready and formest to return, being then evening came a gre[at fo]wlle weather, much rain and wind, which did us favour to fly aw[ay, sca]tteryng abroad like sheep from the flock, who might run f[astest would] not tarry his fellow. Every man for himself, a very camp . . . . . say thereof no better term. And very sory to write so tre . . . . . being late leaving the ships behind in danger whereof the . . . . . taken prizes of the Christian army, two Venetians galleys th . . . . . straye, one Bysken ship and other half dozen small vessels with vy . . . . . and burned as in the night we saw the fires of them burnyn[g on the] see, amongst the which is lost three or four banderos of ynfante[rya. Not with] standing one great vessel that we left behind all as a lost s[hip, her] main mast stricken away with gunshot, wherein was a compan[y of y]nfanterya, Spaniards, the captain named Machyno de Mongya . . . . the Turks galleys did pursue with sharp battle unto the midnight, [but] surely God of his mercy preserved them, giving such strength . . . . syte and so valiantly avanced themself against their enemy . . . . . though many times

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the Turks went to invest and enter the ship [an]d spake to them to render, they were fain to recoil large [and] finally leave them, so that the 3rd day following, having but [one ma]ste standing, the ship, much broken, came to this port again . . . . . army, but the loss of 20 men slain.

* * * played Barba Ro[wse] . . . . . .
. . . this time he remaineth strong . . . . . .
. . ll armyd, being with him captains, the . . . . . .
. . drya and the great Turk's nephew for general . . . . . .
[k]nowledge by Christian men come away escaped that we . . . . . .
So at this day the said two armies resteth in the po . . . . . .
apart, one ready to disturb the other, as upon us at this . . . . . .
having prize of ours and we none of them, have enjoyed . . . . . .
and letted our journey. God send better the next. In th . . . . . .
gallye is slain and hurt with gun shot 12 or 13 parso[ns] . . . . . .
ij of the cross. The comyto and half dozen more su . . . . . .
ij French men of the Cross hurt. The English men . . . . . .
The first of this present went messengers hence by po[st] . . . . . .
to the Emperor and to Venyse by sea, whose respost we tarry . . . . . .
space this army of Ponentye the prince yet keepeth hol . . . . . .
The general of Venice hath and doth disarm here of . . . . . .
and the Pope three, what we shall do here goeth no . . . . . .
till answers come, and this I write is passed. Farther . . . . . [I] . . . .
cannot say, but I pray Jesus send us better next [time]."

"I thought, or this day to have made prize of some little Turk for you, but as the game since that time hath gone about, amongst us the gains was forgotten and many be very well content to be here again free them self."

Mutilated. In the same hand as the preceding letter. Add.: All R^do^ Signor ell S^or^ Turcoplyer my Signor yn Mallta.

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967. Grants in November 1538.

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1. Ric. Cromwell. Licence to alienate the manor of Norford (Narford) and a fulling mill and certain acres of land, &c., in Norford, Swafham, Stowe, and Narburgh, Norf., to John Croftis. Westm., 1 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 25.

2. Thomas Crumwell lord Crumwell. To be captain of Caresbroke Castle, and of the Isle of Wight, Hants, constable and door-ward of the said castle, steward, surveyor, receiver and bailiff of crown lands within the Isle, master of the hunt of deer in the forest there and in the whole island, and keeper of Caresbroke Park; *vice* Sir James Worsley, dec.; with fees of 32*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* a year.

Also an annuity of 20*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for life, out of the issues of the premises. *Del.* Westm., 2 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 14.

3. Wm. Lok of London, mercer. Licence to purvey and export 300 tuns of beer. *Del.* Westm., 2 Nov., 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B.

4. Hugh Glasyer, S. T. B. Presentation to the parish church of Hanworth, London dioc., void by death. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

5. John Knottesford, one of the yeomen of the Guard. To be a serjeant at arms with 12*d.* a day, on the first vacancy among the present serjeants, viz.:—Edw. Skipwith, Nich. Jakson, Hen. Vaughan and Wm. Rolt. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B.

6. Tristram Tesshe and Wm. Tesshe his son. Lease of the site of the manor of Holme in Spaldyngmore, Yorks.; a tenement there called "le Mylkehouse" with the stables and "heyhouse" in the outer court of the manor, a garden called Esshe Garth, the herbage of Newparke, and a croft there called West Crofte, with profits of the mosses and turfs, rights of fishing and hawking in the said manor and pasture of 338½ acres of wood and underwood there; which premises came to the King by the attainder of Sir Robt. Constable; with reservations; for 21 years, at 14*l.* 0*s.* 2*d.* rent, and 40*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm. 4 Nov., 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B.b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

7. Nich. Hancocke. Annuity issuing from certain lands and tenements in Clyderhowe, Lanc., lately belonging to Wm. Dyneley, dec., during the minority of Hen. Dyneley, son and heir of the said

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Wm.; with the wardship and marriage of the said Henry. *Del.* Westm., 4 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 35.

8. John Syngar (Syntar in *Pat.*), clk., "Epistelarius" and one of the ministers of the Chapel Royal. Presentation to the parish church of St. Peter in Notingam, York dioc., at the King's disposal by the dissolution of the monastery of Lenton. *Del.* Westm. 4 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

9. Hoell William, Ric. Ap John and Laur. Ap John. Pardon for having in self-defence on the 20th Feb., 29 Hen. VIII., mortally wounded Thomas Ap John Prethyd who died on the 13th Mar. 29 Hen. VIII. at Malpas in the commote of Wenlog, as appears by inquisition before Wm. Morgan coroner in the said commote. Westm., 4 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 8, *m.* 22.

10. John Wiseman and Joan his wife. Grant in fee (in consideration of 435*l.* 11s. 8*d.*) of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following leases, &c.

(1) By the Crown, by indenture 1 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., to Sir Simon Harecourte, of the dissolved priory of Routon, Staff., with certain meadows and pastures there (specified), and the grange called "le Hethhouse graunge," with its closes, &c. (specified), Staff., belonging to the said late priory; all woods reserved; for 21 years; at rents of 4*l.* 12*d.* for the site, and 66*s.* for the grange; all which premises lie in Routon and Seightford, Staff. (2) By Thos. Alton, the late prior, and the convent of Routon, by indenture 10 July 21 Hen. VIII., to Ric. Couper and Margery his wife, in survivorship, of two tenements in Routon; rent, 26*s.* 8*d.*

Also grant, in fee, of the site, church, steeple, and churchyard of the priory and grange, certain woods (named) in Routon and Elynhalle, Staff., cottages, &c., in Routon in the several tenures of John Hudson, Thos. Lowe (this in Burrewhalle), Matilda Leche (this called Baksterres Croft), Agnes Burne, Thos. Smalman, messuages in the several tenures of Hen. Alsope and Wm. Alsope in Routon, and a pond called "Olde Pole" in Routon, in the tenure of Wm. Alsope, belonging to the said late priory. Clear annual value, 24*l.* 4*s.*; rent, 48*s.* 5*d.* by way of tenth; the grantees to be discharged of all other payments except an annual rent of 4*d.* to John Harecourte, and an annual pension of 100*s.* to the abbot and convent of Hagmond, Salop, from parts of the premises. *Del.* Westm., 6 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 25.

11. John Wheler, one of the officers of the King's cellar, and Hen. Pyne a sewer of the Chamber. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of parker or keeper of the park of Leskerd, called the "Neweparke" near Leskerde, Cornw., parcel of the duchy of Cornwall; with fees of 3*d.* a day; in as full manner as Wm. Holden, late parker there, enjoyed the same; and with the herbage and pannage of the said park. On surrender of patent 18 Oct. 19 Hen. VIII. granting the same to the said John Wheler alone. Westm., 4 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 15.

12. Ric. Hamp, the King's servant. To be bailiff of the lordship of Berkeley, Glouc., now at the King's disposal, and parker of Whitclyf park there, having the whole pasture of Comeley adjoining the said park for the pasturing of the King's "lez studs"; with the usual fees. Palace of Westminster, 5 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* 6 Nov.—P.S.

13. Sir Hugh Paulett. Grant in fee (for 1,000*l.*) of the manor and borough of Sampforde Peverell, Devon, the advowson of the church of Samforde Peverell, and the moiety of the hundred of Holberton, Devon. Westm., 3 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 15.

14. Exeter Cathedral. Patent confirming an ancient custom by which those keeping house or lodging for the time within the city and diocese of Exeter, and those dwelling within the same are liable to contribute a farthing a year towards the support of the architecture of the cathedral of St. Peter, Exeter. The said money to be collected by personal applications and at the parish churches. *Del.* Westm., 9 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 12.

15. Hen. Fortescue, son and heir of John Fortescue dec. Livery of lands, viz.: the possessions of the said John in England, Calais, Wales, and the marches thereof. Westm., 1 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 13.

16. Robt. Budde, clk. Licence to be non-resident on any of his benefices and freely to resort to, and live at either of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, provided he maintain good hospitality at the college of Wyngfelde, Suff., of which he is now master. Westm., 25 May 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Nov.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 36.

17. Thos. Broke, one of the gentlemen ushers of the Chamber. To be customer at the Lantern Gate of Calais in reversion after Edw. Peyton, who now holds the office by patent of 16 Jan. 13 Henry VIII. granting it to him, as one of the gentlemen ushers of the Chamber, in reversion after John Copledyke; with 12*d.* a day and the usual profits. *Del.* Westm., 10 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

18. Robt. See, father of Hen. See dec., John Girlyng, Wm. Girlyng and Wm. See jun., brother of the said Henry. Pardon for having acquired without licence, by grant of the said Henry by his charter dated 7 July 29 Hen. 8, the manor of Bokeland, with the advowson of the church of Buckland, Kent, and all other his lands, &c., in the parishes of Buckland, Ospryng, Stone near Ospryng, Ludnam, Tenam, and Norton, Kent: to hold

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to them their heirs and assigns to the use of the said Hen. and Eliz. his wife, and the heirs male of their bodies; with remainder in default of such issue to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said Hen.; with remainder in default of such issue to the use of Hen. See, and his right heirs. That this alienation was made was found by inquisition before Rog. Hoorne, escheator, Kent. Westm., 10 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 13.

19. Alex. Chapman, of the Exchequer. Lease of the King's lands in Brynkeredig, in the commote of Collyon in the lordship of Deffrecloid *alias* Ruthyn, N. Wales, with reservations; for 21 years; at 3*l.* rent, and 3*s.* 4*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 11 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

20. Sir Arth. Hopton. Grant in tail male of the reversion and rent reserved upon a lease by the King, granted by indenture 6 March, 28 Hen. VIII., to Walter Wadelond of Nedeham Markett, Suff, of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Blitheborough, Suff., with certain closes (named), a marsh and water-mill there, and the manor of Blithebugh, Suff., all belonging to the late priory; with reservations; for 21 years; at 21*l.* rent. Also site, with the church, steeple, and churchyard and the said closes, meadow, marsh, and water-mill, and the manors of Blitheborough, and Hynton Hall, Suff., belonging to the late priory; the rectories of the parish churches of Blitheborough, Thoryngton, Bramefeld, and Wenaston, the chapel of Walderswike, and a portion of tithes in Blifford, Suff., belonging the said late priory; and all messuages, &c., in the above places belonging to the said rectory and chapel, with reservation of advowsons of vicarages and free chapels. Annual value 38*l.* 9*s.*; rent, 18*l.* 9*s.* as tenth. The grantee is released from all corrodies and rents with which the premises are chargeable, with some stated exceptions. *Del.* Westm., 12 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 30.

21. Erian Brereton and And. Bekingham, grooms of the King's Chamber. Grant in survivorship of the office of ranger of the forest in the Isle of Wight called Parkehurst *alias* Caresbroke lately held by John Parker, deceased; with fees of 10 marks a year, and 3 bucks in summer and 3 does in winter. Arundel, 18 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

22. Sir Thos. Hennege. Licence to remise and quit-claim to John Hennege, his interest in the grange or farm called le Towse in Ludforth, Linc., and certain acres in Ludforth, Estwikham, and Westwikham, Linc., which belonged to the priory of Markeby, Linc., which were leased to the said John for 21 years by indenture 7 Aug. 28 Hen. VIII. and of which the reversion and rent were granted to the said Thomas in fee by patent 1 May last, 30 Hen. VIII. Westm., 12 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 6, *m.* 5.

23. John Skyp, S. T. P., the king's great almoner. Grant in augmentation of the King's alms, of the goods, debts, and chattels of suicides, and all deodands in England, Wales, and Calais. Westm., 7 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

24. John Kebull. Licence to alienate a moiety of one messuage, 7½ virgates of land and a rent of 2lbs. of pepper, and 2 lbs. of cinnamon in Lyttell Asshby, Leic., to Thos. Coton and his heirs and assigns for ever. Westm., 13 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

25. John Swayne, clk., of Churchtaunton, Devon. Licence of non-residence upon any benefice he may have, notwithstanding the statute of 21 Hen. VIII. (c. 13). Westm., 18 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 8, *m.* 16.

26. Sheriff Roll.

Cumb. — Edward Aglandby, John Thwaytes,* Thos. Dalston.

Northumb.—Sir Reginald Carnaby, Sir Cuthb. Rateclyff, Robt. Colyngwood.*

Yorks.—Sir Wm. Copley, Sir Chris. Danby, Sir Jas. Strangways.*

Notts and Derby.—Sir John Markham,* John Hercy, Sir Wm. Bassett.

Linc.—Sir John Byron, Sir Wm. Newenham,* Edw. Sapcotes.

Warw. and Leic.—John Grevyle, Sir Thos. Nevell of Holte,* John Dygby.

Salop.—Rog. Corbett,* Wm. Yong (?), Ric. Laky[n].

Staff.—Sir John Gyffor[d], John Vernon,* Sir Edw. Aston.

Heref.—John Pakyngton,*Thos.Monyngton, Thos. Havord.

Glouc.—Sir Walt. Denys,* Jas. Clyfford, Anth. Kyngeston.

Oxon and Berks.—Sir Wm. Barantyne, Sir Wm. Essex, John Williams.*

Northt.—Sir Robt. Kyrkham, John Hasylwood, Anth. Catesby.*

Camb. and Hunts.—Sir Giles Alyngton, Philip Parrys, Thos. Hutton.*

Beds and Bucks.—Sir Robt. Dormer,* Ralph Verney, Thos. Gyfford.

Norf. and Suff.—John Spryng, Sir John Tyndale, Sir Fran. Lovell.*

Essex and Herts.—John Smith,* Sir John Mordaunt, Sir Philip Butler.

Kent.—Sir Wm. Kempe,* Ric. Vane, Anth. Sandes.

Surr. and Sussex.—Sir Edw. Bray,* Sir Nich. Carewe, John Sakvyle.

Hants.—Ric. Andrewes, John Kyngesmyll,* Sir Michael Lyster.

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Wilts.—Edm. Mountpesson, Chas. Bulkeley, Sir Anth. Hungerford.*

Somers. and Dorset.—John Pawlett, Sir Edw. Willoughby, Sir Hen. Long.*

Devon.—Sir John Chamond,* Sir Thos. Speke, Sir John Wallop.

Cornw.—Thos. Sayntabyn, John Arundell, son of Sir John Arundell, sen., Sir Wm. Godolphan.*

Rutland.—Thos. Sherard, Thos. Coley, Sir Fran. Makworth.*

Worc.—Sir John Russell, jun., Robt. Acton,* Ric. Tracy.

Cheshire. — Edw. Fytton, Sir Robt. Nedham,* Wm. Damport.

Signed by the King top and bottom.

Del. Westm., 20 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

27. Ric. Willyams, *alias* Ric. Crumwell. Licence to alienate certain acres of land, &c., in Fodrynghey, Newton, Southwik, and in Rokyngham forest, Northt., to Clement Giles. Westm., 20 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 25.

28. Sir John Shelton. Grant, in fee, of house and site of the dissolved priory of Carrowe near Norwich, the manor of Carrowe, in co. city of Norwich; the rectories of Estwynche, Stowbardolf, Erleham, and Wrenyngham, Norf., lately appropriate to the priory; an annual pension of 23*s.* 4*d.* issuing from the vicarage or church of Swardeston, Norf., portions of tithes in Surlyngham and Halvergate, Norf., and the advowsons of the parish churches of St Edward, St. Juliana, and All Saints, and the chapel of St. Katharine, in Norwich, and of the vicarage of Erleham, Norf.; and all manors, messuages, &c., in Norwich, and in the vills and parishes, &c., of Brakendell, Trowes, Amerynghall, Rokland, Helston, Porlond, Kyrkeby, Byskeley, Bramerton, Surlyngham, Berneham, Rednall, Thurleton, Wrenyngham, Derham, Skernyng, Stowbardolf, Lakenham, Hayleston, Melton, Thetford, Estwynche, Erleham, Swardeston, Halvergate, Norf., and in Chestan, Pakenham, Thurston, Southelmeham, Suff., belonging to the said late monastery; except the manor of Wroxham, Norf., and all advowsons of churches not appropriate to the priory. Clear annual value, 37*l.* 2*s.* 4¾*d.*; rent, 74*s.* 3*d.* The grantee is released from all corrodies and rents except the above, and the following annual rents:—17*d.* payable to Thos. duke of Norfolk and his heirs at the manors of Framelyngham and Fornesett, 5*s.* payable at the manor of Berehall, 8*s.* 7½*d.* payable to the prior of Christchurch, Norwich, at his manor of Lakenham, 9½*d.* payable to the master of the hospital of St. Giles, in Norwich, and 4*s.* payable at the manor of Hethersett, and an annual pension of 53*s.* 4*d.* payable to the vicar of Erleham. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 31 (dated on roll 2 Nov.).

29. Sir Wm. Tyrwhyt. Licence to enfeoff Sir Robt. Dymmok of a waste toft and 4 bovates of land and meadow in Glentworth, Linc., belonging to the dissolved nunnery of Goykwell, which are farmed by Robt. Brokylsbee, of Glentworth, yeoman, and were late in the tenure of Thos. Tatwell, sen.; also of all lands and pastures now in the tenure of Robt. Dyghton, in Fylyngham, belonging to the same nunnery. Westm., 22 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

30. Sir Wm. Tyrwyht. Licence to enfeoff Wm. Dalyson and Hen. Garthyner of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Goykwell, Linc., to be regranted to the said Sir William and Isabella his wife in survivorship, with remainder to Tristram Tyrwhyt, son of the said Sir William. Westm., 22 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

31. *Yorkshire.*—Commission to Sir Ralph Eure, jun., Edm. Copyndale, Ralph Pullyn, of Scotton, and Roger Wentworth, to take inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Ric. Chase. Westm., 22 Nov. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

32. John Freman, one of the particular receivers of the revenues of the Augmentations. Grant in fee (for 72*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*) of the house and site of the dissolved monastery of Hagnaby *alias* Hawndby, Linc., and various closes, pastures, &c. (named), in Hagnaby, Sutton and Trusthorp and Maydenwell, Linc., belonging to the said monastery, together with the rectory of Hanney, Linc., lately appropriate to the monastery. Clear annual value 38*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*, rent 77*s.* 10*d.* Westm., 15 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 4, *m.* 21.

33. Henry the abbot and the convent of St. Mary of Graces, near the Tower of London. Licence to alienate the manor of Westmyll, Herts, and all the lands, &c., in Westmyll, Wydeal, Leyston, Aspeden and Buntyngford, Herts., and all the manor of Gore, Kent (except the pastures and marshes called Slayhill, Kent, which Thos. Diggs now holds to farm) to Sir Thos. Audeley, chancellor; also licence to the said Thos. to grant rectories, lands, &c., to the said abbot and convent to the clear annual value of 40*l.* *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 40.

34. Ric. Bedill, sen. Lease of a moiety of the manor of Pyrrye *alias* Pirrie Court, with the site of a water-mill under Worcester castle called Frogmille, Worc., parcel of Warwikys lands; with reservations; for 21 years; at 7*l.* rent and 20*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

35. John Wright. Lease of the rectory of Flamburgh, Yorks., parcel of the posses-

* Those persons marked with an asterisk were chosen by the King.

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sions, late of the monastery of Brydlyngton, Yorks., in the King's hands by the attainder of William, the late prior there; for 21 years; at 32*l.* rent and 10*s.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

36. Sir Rog. Touneshend, Ric. Heydon, James Calthorp, John Brymley *alias* Skepper and Christiana his wife, and John Lathe. Licence to alienate the manor of Pattesley, and 10 messuages, 12 gardens, 140 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 30 acres of wood, and 20*s.* rent in Pattesley and Wyssyngsett, Norf.; except a close called Stakecroft, and the advowson of the church or free chapel of St. John the Baptist in Pattesley; to Wm. Salman and Hen. Clyfton and the heirs of the said Wm. for ever. Westm., 23 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

37. John Brikilbank, groom of the Chamber. Licence to buy and export 100 tuns of beer. Hampton Court, 21 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov.—P.S.

38. Sir Wm. Musgrave. Licence to alienate a messuage at the corner of Dowe lane in the parish of St. Michael Paternoster at Dowgate in London, to William Knight, clk., and his heirs for ever. Westm., 24 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 12.

39. Morgan Jones. Lease of the lands in Tewkesburye, late of Henry Glover of Staundon, late in the tenure of Geoffrey Bradford, which John Gibbes lately held for life, parcel of the earldom of Warwick, Glouc.; for 21 years; at 21*s.* rent and 12*d.* increase. On surrender of patent 14 April 15 Hen. V II. of a similar lease. *Del.* Westm., 25 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 7.

40. Thos. Brerwod, clk. Presentation to the parish church and rectory of Bradmynche *alias* Bradnynsh, Exeter dioc., void by resignation, and in the King's gift by right of his earldom of Cornwall. *Del.* Westm., 25 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

41. Walter Moyle, one of the gentlemen ushers of the King's Chamber. Licence to buy and export 300 tuns of beer, within two years. Westm., 25 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 6.

42. Edm. Boner, LL.D. Assent to his election as bishop of Hereford. Westm., 25 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3. (Rymer, xiv., p. 599.)

43. Bishopric of Hereford. Significavit to Thos. archbishopric of Canterbury, of the election of Edm. Boner, clk., LL.D., as bishop of Hereford, *vice* Edw. Fox, last bishop, dec. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

44. Edm. Boner, bp. elect of Hereford, who is in the King's legation towards foreign princes. Licence to forego his consecration and retain the incompatible benefices he now holds, for three years from the time of his confirmation; and meanwhile, in order to appear more honourably in his legation, to take the bishopric and profits into his own hands. Westm., 25 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

45. Robt. Drury, of Chalfounte St. Peter's, Bucks. Grant in fee (for 142*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*), of the manor of Temple Bulstrowde *alias* Bulstrode, Bucks and Berks, which belonged to the late monastery of Bisham *alias* Bustlesham, Berks., with its lands, &c., in Hugeley, Upton, Wexham, Iver, Farnham, Kymbell, Pendley, Chedyngton, Eton, Elisborowe, and Clewere, Bucks and Berks; in as full manner as John Cordrey, the late abbot, held the same at the time of the dissolution of the monastery. *Del.* Westm., 28 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

46. Anth. Toto and Helen his wife. Grant, in survivorship, of two cottages and land in Mycheham, Surrey, which Oliver Knight formerly held in fee simple; the said Oliver having died without heirs, to hold by payment of a red rose at St. John Baptist's day annually. Westm., 4 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 1.

47. John Cope. Licence to alienate the site of the late priory of Canonsasheby, Northt., a windmill and certain acres of land, &c., in various fields, &c., in Canonsassheby, to Anthony Cope, Thomas Cave, and Humph. Benton, and their heirs, to the use of the said John and Margery his wife and the heirs male of the body of the said John; and in default of such issue to the use of the said Anth. and the heirs male of his body; and in default of such issue to the use of the right heirs of the said John. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 6, *m.* 3.

48. Wm. Smyth. Licence to alienate a chief messuage in Hosyer Lane *alias* Bowe Lane, London, in the parish of St. Mary-at-Bowe, in the ward of Cordewayner Strete, London, to Richard Jerveis, citizen and mercer, London, and his heirs, by fine. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 8, *m.* 20.

49. *Cheshire and Flint.*—Commission to Sir Peter Dutton, Sir Wm. Stanley, John Massey of Podyngton, and Wm. Snede, to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heirs of Peter Stanley, Hector Griffith, and Edm. Pendaunt. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

50. *Cheshire.*—Commission to Sir Peter Dutton, Sir Wm. Stanley, John Massey of Podyngton, and Wm. Snede, to make in-

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quisition p. m. on the lands and heirs of Wm. Massey of Podyngton. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

51. *Cheshire.*—Commission to Sir Wm. Stanley, Geo. Bothe, Wm. Snede, and John Massey of Podyngton : to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Thomas Cotton. Westm., 28 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

52. Sir Thos. Audeley, the Chancellor To be a baron of Parliament, with the title of baron Audeley of Walden, Essex, with succession in tail male, with contingent remainder to the heirs male of the body of Thos. Audeley, brother of the said Sir Thos. Audeley. Hampton Court. Westm., 29 Nov. *Del.* Westm., 29 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 27.

Vacated on surrender 29 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., that the patent might be made out otherwise.

(2.) Privy Seal to the same effect without the clause of contingent remainder. Hampton Court (*day and year not given*). *Del.* Westm., 29 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

(3.) Later copy of § (2) in R.O. *endorsed by Cecil.*

53. Sir Reginald Carnaby. Grant, in fee, of the house, site, &c., of the late monastery of St. Andrew, Hexham, *alias* Hextoldisham, Northumb., a house called Saint Giles' Hospital, near the said late monastery in the town of Hexham, Northumb., an enclosure called "le Hospital Close," and 30 acres of arable land in the fields of Hexham, and certain pastures, &c., near Hexham, which Edw. Grey the late prior held in right of the said monastery. Clear annual value, 17*s.* 4*d.*; rent, 2*s.* *Del.* Westm., 29 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 24.

54. Sir Thos. Crumwell. Patent confirming his estate, possession and interest in the site of the house or late priory of Modynden *alias* Motynden, Kent, and the manors of Modynden, Plushenden, Plomford, and Delmyngden, Kent; the advowson of the parish church of Shadokesherst, Kent, the rectory of Launcyng, Suss., and all tithes thereto belonging; the advowson of the parish church of Launcyng and the vicarage of the same church; a saltmarsh in Canwynden *alias* Derwishop, Essex, and all lands, &c., in cos. Kent, Suss., and Essex, late of John Gregory *alias* John Harietisham, late minister of the Trinitarian priory of Modynden.

Also confirming, as above, his estate, &c. in the manor of Thorneherst, Kent, and all those lands, &c. in Hedcron, Frythenden, Bidynden, Ulcombe, Stapleherst, Dunstall, Estsutton, and Sethyngborn, Kent, late of Chris. Clerke, clk., chaplain of the chantry commonly called Kentishe chantry, which in any way belonged to the said chantry.

With reservation of tenths on all the above premises.

Also licence to the said Thomas to alienate the manors and lordships of Okeham and Langham, Rutland, Clapthorne, Haculton, and Pedyngton, Northt, and Blayston, Leic., with the advowson of Blayston church, and the manors of Northelmeham and Beteley, Norf., to Thos. Parry and John Milsent, and their heirs for ever, to the use of Gregory Crumwell s. and h. apparent of the said Thos. lord Crumwell and Eliz. his wife, in survivorship; and after their deaths to the use of Hen. Crumwell s. and h. apparent of the said Gregory, and the heirs male of the body of the said Henry; and in default of such issue to the use of the heirs male of the said Gregory; and in default of such issue to the use of the heirs of the body of the said Gregory; and in default of such issue to the use of the said Thos. lord Crumwell and the heirs of his body; and in default of such issue to the use of Walter Williams *alias* Crumwell, brother of the said Ric. and the heirs male of his body; and in default of such issue to the use of Wm. Wellyfed, nephew of the said Thos. lord Crumwell and the heirs male of his body; and in default of such issue to the use of the said Rich. Williams *alias* Crumwell, his heirs and assigns for ever. Hampton Court, 26 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 11.

55. Robt. Attharton. Lease of the chapel of Buckton, Yorks., with all its buildings, tenements, glebelands, greater and lesser tithes, &c., parcel of the possessions late of the monastery of Bridlington, Yorks, in the King's hands and by the attainder of the late abbot; for 21 years; at 14*l.* rent. *Del.* Westm., 30 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B.b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

56. *Cheshire.*—Commission to Sir Peter Dutton, Sir Wm. Stanley, John Massey or Podyngton, and Wm. Snede, to hold inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Ralph Leycester. Westm., 30 Nov. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

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1 Dec **968.** THE LORDS OF THE COUNCIL to HENRY VIII.

Titus B. I. 70. B. M. Ellis, 1 Ser. II. 123.

Have this day used all diligence to try out the bottom and pith of the things in which lord Lawarre has been detected to have offended the King. Find as yet no sufficient ground to commit him to the Tower. Have deferred matters, as the King knows, these two or three days to try it out. Have

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commanded him to write all things he has already confessed or can call to mind, and to keep his house and commune with no suspect person till further orders. Desire pardon for not proceeding more summarily, as it would touch the King's honour if he were imprisoned on a weak ground. London, 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Audeley, Norfolk, Suffolk, Cromwell, Sussex, Hertford, and Southampton.*

Add.

1 Dec. **969.** The Lord Chancellor Audeley.

Close Roll, 30 Hen. VIII. p. 1, m. 40*d.* No. 17.

Grant by Henry abbot of St. Mary of Graces by the Tower of London and the convent to Sir Thomas Audeley, Chancellor of England, in fee simple, of the manor of Westmylle or Westmylne, and lands in Westmylle, Wydeall, Leyston, Aspeden, and Buntyngford, Herts, and the manor of Gore, Kent, except the pastures and marshes called Slayhyll, which Thos. Dyggys now holds to farm;—to be held of the King, the lands in Herts by fealty and a rent of 3*l.* 4*s.*, and the manor of Gore by fealty and a rent of 20*s.* 8*d.* John Eyer and Rob. Chester, attorneys for the monastery. Dated in the mon., 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged by the abbot and convent the same day before Peter Asheton, clk.

Memoranda of endorsements of the names of those present at deliveries of seisin in Herts and Kent.

1 Dec. **970.** Marquis of Exeter and Lord Montague.

See Grants in December, No. 1.

1 Dec. **971.** Robert Southwell to [Cromwell].

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Sends to him, as his singular good lord, a book declaring the site and state of the castle of Saltwood in Kent with a brief value of the manor. Being so small would not have advised his Lordship to be a suitor therefor, but that the site adjoins his Lordship's lands in those parts. Sir Edw. Nevell is farmer of the demesnes and constable of the castle with 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* for his fees, which in case he now forfeit by his demerits he shall lose, and both shall be at your Lordship's disposition. I have sent also the double of this book to Mr. Chancellor, with a letter to take his opportunity with the King to obtain it if it be your pleasure. Begs his favour in the suit of the bearer, Mr. Spilman. Tunbridge 1 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* Anno 30.

1 Dec. **972.** Richard Grafton to Cromwell.

Cleop. E. v. 328.* B. M. S. P. I. 591.

Since our coming here James Nycolson, of Southwark, has printed the New Testament in Latin and English, with Mr. Coverdale's name as the translator, although he never saw the book till after it was printed. The thing is so foolishly done that he is grieved that the printer has so defamed his learning by adding his name thereto, and also that the common people are deprived of the true sense of God's word. At his request therefore (although I had enough to do beside) I have printed the same as translated and corrected by him, and send you the first copy. Have sent copies also to my lord of Canterbury and almost every Christian bishop of the realm, and my lord of Harfforde has sent one to Mr. Richard Cromwell. Have added the words *Cum gratia et privilegio Regis.* Yesterday Nicolas the post brought your letters to my lord of Harfford with an inhibition from printing books with the words *cum privilegio.* My Lord of Harfford immediately sent for Mr. Coverdale and me, and showed us this which enjoins us to add the

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words "(*ad imprimendum solum*)", which we never heard of before, and which in the printing of the Scripture would give occasion to the enemies to say it is not the King's mind to set it forth, but only to licence printers to sell what are put forth. We beg your Lordship not to be displeased with what we have done. Where you add in the said inhibitions that the Council wills that henceforth no book be printed without first being allowed by one bishop; we beg you to appoint certain thereto who are as ready to read them as good men are to set them forth; for it is seven years since the bishops promised to translate the Bible, and as yet they have no leisure. Paris, 1 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

973. The Bible.

Cleop. E. v. 326.* B. M. Strype's Cranmer App. No. 30.

Copy of a licence by Francis I. to Ric. Grafton and Edward Whitchurch, Englishmen, of London, who have obtained Henry VIII.'s leave to print and import the Bible both in Latin and English, to print the same at Paris.

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974. Return of Philip Hoby.

Add. MS. 5,498, f. 8. B. M.

"Note of remembrance by Sir Thomas Wiat to Mr. Philip Hoby, at his departing out of Spain into England.

"Md., at our first access, the hearty thanks of the Emperor for the King's friendliness. The assured confidence that he said he alway hath in his good neighbourhood.

"His answer to the surety of his person in the enterprise of Levant, which he thinketh so well provided for, with the bishop of Rome and the Venetians, and with the trust of the help of th' other princes and the King; that the said Bishop and Signory keeping touch with him, he cannot fail to go forward with, seeing thelligences (*sic*) and facility that he hath in the same. And though the thing be dangerous for his person, and that, of troth, death could not, for his succession, come to him in worse time than now; yet, as for the dangers and travails, he thought that the charge and governance that he hath, with the honors and benefit that he hath over the people of the world, challengeth, of right, labour and travail for them that he hath it of; and God hath not called him to such rule for his own ease and pleasures. Besides that, it is the cause of his faith, and as for his person, he knoweth that death is uncertain as well the place as the time, and that God reserveth that to himself alone, and so shall he remit that to Him, knowing well that the surety of his son, yea, and his life also, must stand in His provision that gave him him, and hath given him mo and taken them again, and shall, when His pleasure is, give him other; and good hope he had that his wife is again with child. In all which cases he faileth not to provide, as well by his testament as other ways, in all voyages the disposition of his things and how he will leave his dominions. And here again his great thanks to the King for his wise and friendly advice and opinion. And to participate with him in what order his things are, he showed us first how that the Empire he intended not to his son, and that, already, his brother, being king of Romans, was for that, and that all the electors had already given their choice saving one, which if there had been but four had been sufficient; and, further, the same one was also come to good point; and, further, the Almains he trusteth that they be and shall shortly be in good point and accord. And touching his dominions dispersed, true it is they lie far off one from another, but he trusteth, as he hath hitherto, with labor and travail, governed them, so to continue them, and that his son, or they that he shall leave them to, shall, if they will keep them, learn to be industrious and to

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think that they have them of God that in such case will work His pleasure. Nevertheless, he trusteth that he will leave his son good subjects.

"And as touching his Spains, he now, at these Courtes, entendeth to stablish his son among them, with their oaths, for his successor. And although, of troth, the title depend upon his mother, yet living, yet must one have had the ministration of the realm, and he thinketh himself, that after his mother is the natural successor, most meet for the disposing of the things for the same. And for the minority of his son he purposeth to leave his natural mother for his most assured and diligent ruler, with aid of such ministers as he supposeth his faithful servants. And here most heartily embraceth the King's offers of his amity and friendship that he offereth of himself and his realm; and that his dominions shall no less re-knowledge the friendliness and neighbourhood that he useth with him. And as touching the things of Italy they stand in this point; he confesseth that the suspect of the monarchy of the same hath holden a great while the Italians in doubt of him, but that he hath declared his sincerity with them, that he is assured they know he intendeth no such thing. And that yet, of troth, there be that would have him dispose Milan to the Frenchmen, and likewise that would he should keep it himself; but he saith (*sic*) no time now to resolve in that what he will do; but to dispose it in despair of the Frenchmen he thinketh that utterly to be eschewed, seeing they themselves be content, he reserving it in his own hands, to remain with the hope. My replying here, as well with promises as also with the argument of disarming himself and arming his reconciled enemy, and the aspiring of them to farther things by that foot and occasion; his desire of the alliances; my instancing for Milan; his desire of a space to resolve; and the referring of us to Covos and Granvela that should further resolve with us his mind as well for sending of one of them, if it could be, as upon other things.

"Which conference was a good space or we could get, the Courtes that be now here and other continual business might be the let. At last the sum and effect thereof rested in declaring and excusing the not treating for the State of Milan, wherein we perused in reasoning the whole process of the things past, they to excuse them and I to excuse our part. Among many their excuses, besides the long time afore the King's resolution, was, the King being so much a favourer of the Christian peace and the Emperor's friend, whether I thought it could seem to the King for surety of the peace and of the Emperor's succession now upon this enterprise to provoke a (*sic*) France by despair of the state of Milan. Whereunto my answer was, that I was well assured that if the King thought the giving of Milan to the Frenchmen might assure quiet and peace among the Christian princes he would not only consent to that, but also, if it might help, depart with part of his own; but if they thought that that should be an end of the war, and not rather a beginning, they should buy the knowledge of their abuse at their large cost. To this they answered me that they spake not of giving it to the Frenchmen nother. And to that I replied, that if they intended it not to the Frenchmen it were better now to provoke them with a flat despair, being spent and poor, than hereafter when they by peace of two or three years shall be waxen rich; and then not to have the occasion that they now have of the King's aid. In that case they answered they must consider the time and the things in hand. Here they alleged also that the King had said it his own mouth (*sic*) that he might have Milan if he would, for this marriage of his daughter, but he would not meddle withal; but by whom they had such intelligences we could not learn. The conclusion of this process came to this pass, to know whether the King had sent any commission to approach the matter without the state of Milan. Whereunto we answered asking how it was possible, the King and all his ministers taking the things to be in the same terms as they were at the Emperor's last coming from Barcelona, at

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which time he sent his commission to treat the things in the same case as he had sent me into England withal. Then demanded they if he would speak of the tother marriage, and let that remain till more commodity. I answered them with the same answer that they made me once in like demand, that it were not honest, as they afore had told me, to leave the matter so long begun for and conclude another of new date. Of these conferences they desired they might make relation to the Emperor, and to bring us his full resolution. So we departed for this time.

"And here because they were long in resolving, and that the instructions did not bear to commune without the State of Milan, and that we would have had in these points and other things more ample information of the King's pleasure, we despatched secretly the courier to know how we should proceed, inasmuch as to our thinking they would see the resolution of the King approach to some appearance of conclusion afore they would resolve upon the coming of one of them, or of the Queen,* to Calais, seeing the matter hath had so many and so long delays. And with this determination, unless we should see a sure appearance of the effectual conclusion, we thought it necessary to time the matter with proposing doubts for longer time to give them matter to resolve upon till the courier might return. And the next day after the courier's despatch we were sent for. And in this conference they brought us the Emperor's full resolution:—that for this present time he could not dispose Milan to the Infant of Portugal; and frankly confessed the things as I had alleged them, and excused them by long tract afore resolving, by the cold proceeding and appearances of the King's little intending unto the thing that might not suffer long delay; adding to this that the ladies† that came out of Scotland through England had reported upon the King's mouth that neither he nor his daughter should marry out of France. To this our answer was that these be but women's entertainments. From this purpose we came to talk upon the things as they were afore the naming of Milan, as without commission; and ministered here unto them to resolve upon that we might know the surety of the Duchess' dowry, the state of the Infant of Portugal, the dowry that they would give. To this they answered that, of the dowry of the Duchess the queen of Hungary was instructed to the uttermost, and as for the state of the Infant they would know the dote and hereafter shape their answer. And here we had long altercation upon the merchanding with advantage of that matter, and I told them plain that *Madame vault bien Monsieur* so that if we should give anything it were reason to know wherefor beside the persons; with this also, that, as it seemed if they would the King should give estate in England, what they would think reasonable. And upon this they asked time to resolve.

"In this mean time arrived here Don Diego di Mendoza, departed from the queen of Hungary since the meeting of the French king and her. And, after his coming, we had another conference, and the resolution therein was in effect all of one substance with the tother. That is to say, that the queen of Hungary had full power, and that she was then fully instructed of the Emperor's pleasure, and that yet what she had passed with the King's ministers there they were not ascertained, and that her power was as well for the one alliance as the other, treating without the State of Milan; and further, that if the Infant of Portugal's alliance, in terms as it was communed of afore the naming of Milan, were not to the King's pleasure, that look what party the King could devise more convenient, that the Emperor would employ himself therein according as the honesty of the thing and reason should require. But when we came to decipher any particulars we trod alway one path, nor could never get to know neither the state of the Infant nor the dowry that he should make, but this for answer,—that let us know

* Mary queen of Hungary.

† Madame de Montreuil and her companions.

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the dote, and both the Emperor and the king of Portugal shall appoint his estate according to the dote. Nor here availeth no reason to say that princes limit their dotes according to their states that they marry their daughters to; so that in this point it seemeth that they will merchant with advantage, either for that they are ashamed of the smallness of his estate, or else that they would wrest out their wills in this point, and leave by that obstinacy the matter in calm.

"Then upon St. Andrew's even, your taking of your leave of the Emperor showing how that we had with his councillors conferred and had understand by them his pleasure of the things that are entreated between the King, his brother, and him. Now to know if he would command you any further service unto him. His answer, &c. My taking here of the tale and the repeating of the sum of their answer, alleging that me seemed the tracting the time longer than required so slender resolution, and the resolution colder than required the friendliness of the King, his brother. His answer to this was that he must needs refer him to the Queen and cannot both treat here and there too; and that it seemed that the King would first the matter to be treated there and win some points here. Remember also my marvelling what news he had had since, that he seemed thus to time the matter with delays farther off and colder than of late it seemed. And thereunto his answer that though, by long treating with some that use that ways, he had learned how that timing should be used, yet he was no such negociator, nor that would recompense such fashion with the like. My replying that I supposed, of whomsoever he had by such treating learned that way, he had not had it of the King, and that I was well assured, since I had been here in this Court and service, the King had desired alway sincere proceeding, and lamented the lack thereof; and that the things had not been already concluded was the fault that he would not believe me at Barcelona, when I showed him the manner of the proceedings of his ambassadors, desiring short redress and clearing of those things that were of them demanded, whereof they could make none answer. I say, not believing me, because he had no letters from them. What! (quoth he) Mons. Lambassadeur, doth the King your master use to resolve such things with ambassadors that are with him, having nothing from his own ambassadors where the matters be treated? Yea, sire (quoth I) and more than that with yours, to treat a marriage for his own person with them that had no commission, reposing in your honor and their word alone. He said they had commission; and I again, that they showed none and denied themselves that they had any, and desired to treat upon their word alone. Here I required him that these excuses on both parts might be laid apart and recompensed with sincere proceeding; and so came to further of the purposes. And here he excuseth the not treating of Milan by not accepting it when time was and the not resolving to the contribution thereof till now that the truce is confirmed. Here also his answer that his sister hath commission to treat upon the assurance of the Duchess' dowry, wherein he will not further charge his Low Countries; and that the dowers be ordinaries, and must be left where they are, and that he will not be for another's estate pensioner out of Milan for the assignment of his own. Here also again his finding of the doubt of cousinage for the dispensation,* and mine answer; how happeneth that to come forth now, and never but when the matters approach? And that, if he be superstitious, let him work as he thinketh good, but that we would accept no foreign authority therein. Here also his answer for one of his councillors coming to Calais, that he could not now spare them, and that it should be a derogation of his sister's honor to join other with her, and that she hath full power, and, as she shall see the matters approach, so to come to Calais if she will. And that, if the King like not this matter with the Infant, to look any other; and that he

* *See* page 416.

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will therein do all his reasonable favor for the same. Here, also after your leave, my complaining of the Bishop's* preaching, praying the people to pray for the King's reducing to the Faith; and his answer.

"Item, my suspect that Don Diego's coming hath done no good, in his relation, because we find more coldness than afore his coming. Item, the burning the Saint's bones,† &c. Item, to remember Sebastian Cabote. He hath here but 300 ducats a year, and he is desirous, if he might not serve the King, at least to see him, as his old master. And I think therein. And that I may have answer in this. Item, of the letter that the duke of Urbin sent me, re-knowledging the ancient amity between the King and his house, as well for the fellowship of the Garter as other ways; and now, after his father's death, his offer to the King of his service in anything: desiring the continuation of his favour. And the commandment of his servant here to confer with me all things that he hath to do here, and to send me word if I shall practise anything with him, and what; for he hath sent to his master for more large commission to commune secreter matters with me if the King will incline to the hearing of them. Item, the count Palatine's wife's and his‡ own coming hither into the "roume" of Mons. de Nasso. Item, the news of the army by sea, and afterward the taking of the port called Castello Novo, with 6,000 footmen and 4,000 horsemen therein, and the slaughter." *Signature:* Tho. Wiat (*copied*).

Later copy.

Add. MS. 5,498, f. 13. B. M.

2. "Mr. Philip Hobie's own private notes of remembrance; departing from the Emperor's court at Toledo into England.

"Memorandum, that, the 22nd day of October, here arrived a Frenchman of the French king's chamber whose name is Brissake, in company with a gentleman of the Emperor's privy chamber whose name is Pellow. The 29th day of the same month, came a post from Andrea Doria, and brought these news, that he hath lost two galleys and two ships, and had there a great rout, so intendeth to retire. The name of the captain that was taken with Barbarous was called Monugia. More, the same post brought news of a terrible weather that chanced in Naples, as raining of ashes, opening of the ground in divers places, with lightning and great winds. Note, the French king hath taken a castle of the duke of Savoy. Note, the ladies§ that were at Dover, that came from Scotland. More, Milan was offered and I refused it. A hundreth thousand ducats. The Count Palatine. A remembrance for Mr. Hennege's patent at the disaffiance in Toledo; and Mr. Brian Tuke's too. More, how th'Emperor giveth account unto his kingdom of the money that he hath received of them. Also what is th'Emperor's demand of them in his Courtes of a certain custom for flesh and wine which should rise to a great sum. More, he demandeth succour of them for his enterprise and voyage toward the Turks. And the denial and disconsent (*sic*) of them as well for any farther payments as for his departure from Spain. More, how he hath the most part of his rents in pledge to the sum of, &c., whereof he payeth in interest yearly a hundred and four score thousand ducats after 14 to the 100. He demandeth to be discharged thereof so that his rents may be clear. To that they consent, so that he will not depart the realm. More, to remember my lord Privy Seal to return the receipt of the letters that he doth receive from the ambassadors and to give them knowledge of the same. Note, the coming of the Count Palatine and his wife to the Emperor's court. Also of an Irishman's being here. The division of the potentates of Italy with the bishop of Rome. More, to remember my lord Privy Seal to shorten these delays. Also one Dominike, a Biskian born, now dwelling in Ireland at a castle or stronghold called Showrgee, was at Toledo, and the same hath

* Apparently the bishop of Granada. *See* § 2.
† Meaning, of course, the bones of St. Thomas of Canterbury.
‡ Frederic Count Palatine and his wife Dorothy.
§ Madame de Montreuil and her companions.

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blemish in his eye and a lame leg. Note, the practice here is nothing but to gather points. The duke of Sessa affied to Covos' daughter and married the 30 day of November. The bishop of Granado's sermon the Sunday the 24 day of November. The doubt that the Emperor made for the dispensation of my lady Mary. More, the great capitulations and altercations with divers replikes, for the prolonging of time here, that the council maketh, without any final end, mistrusting themselves. The "justes" the first day of December. My taking leave from the Emperor the 28 day of November. More, to remember my lord Privy Seal to send for Mr. Wiat in post for the instructions of this matter. Don Lewis d'Avila.

"Also to remember and advertise my lord Privy Seal of a redress: first, to withdraw the King's council more secret together, and to avoid spiritual men therehence for divers considerations. More, to establish his ports and to fortify them and to put in a readiness ships to th'intent that they should study what he meaneth thereby. This doing they will more diligently go forward if they have mind thereunto. And his Grace to refuse so much costs in buildings, which would be well employed on fortifying havens and ports. And in short time to see provision for the commonalty concerning spiritual causes; and to remit them to such as will not deceive God and the King, whereby the people may the more earnester cleave unto it and not to waver as they do; and not to remain in those hands that intendeth the profit thereof.

"Concerning the affairs of the Emperor, if his Grace will see his earnest intent to finish, he to call home his ambassadors out of Flanders and to breathe a month or two; and upon that suddenly to raise a flame in the Court that an ambassador is coming to England from the duke of Cleve; whereby the truth is like to be known whether the Emperor do intend to finish or no. Concerning the Bishop of Rome, never better time to inflame malice against him than now; and in especial with the potentates of Italy; for all they are already moved against him and would fain have some good quarrel against him, and would right gladly have some good advice of the King's Grace. Wherefore it were expedient for the King to send some of his gentlemen abroad among them and to fall in familiarity with them, whereby they may the better fall to the knowledge of Christ's Gospel and his abominable abuse."

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2 [Dec.] R. O. **975.** Lady Lisle to Lord Lisle.

This day my cousin Lye, of the Staple, presented me with the fattest capon, woodcocks, larks, snyttes, and coneys that I ever saw. Give him most hearty thanks for his good kindness when he arrives at Calais. He departs thither in two days. I hope to end my business in three days. Mr. Fowler, vice-treasurer, and Broke have never shown me any pleasure since my coming. Tax them with it when they go home. Touching your matter with Mr. Treasurer I hope to do some good. My lady Wallop, widow, gave me fat capons, coneys, woodcocks, and a plover of Coventry. London, 2 Nov. (Dec. ?). *Signed.*

In Hussey's hand, p. 1. *Add.*

2 Dec. Lamb. MS. 695, Vol. II. D. 23. **976.** Robert Lyster to the Earl of Shrewsbury.

On 24 Oct. the earl's servant, Mr. Brodshaw, showed him a schedule of green wax containing sums of money on the earl's father for the manor of Harthill. Told Mauncell, clerk of York Castle, to find out the true tenant, who is Hugh Strelley. The earl should pay nothing. The sheriff should distrain on the manor. The Exchequer, 2 Dec.

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2 Dec. **977.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Hopes she will be here soon, thanking God and the King that she is at so good a point with the earl of Bridgwater for her son's inheritance. Is satisfied with the lord Privy Seal's possession of the lands that he has there. Sorry for the loss of the 1,000*l.* which is too great for them, and too great a gift. Has written to her about Paynswike and his own annuity. Would send Lamb's boat if he knew of her return to Dover. Thanks her for his gown and her venison, of which he trusts she will eat part at her arrival. Defers writing to Mr. Tuke until then; but will send him some pleasure before Christmas. Calais, 2 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

2 Dec. **978.** BONNER to CROMWELL.

R. O. In behalf of Peter Tyle* of Landerna, near Brest in Brittany, whose ship was robbed by Thos. Carter, John Yong, and Thos Palmer, Englishmen, and who has not been able to obtain restitution, though Cromwell showed himself favourable so far as his great business would admit. Poor Englishmen are here delayed in their suits, although many fair promises are held out to them, but it were pity this man's claims were not satisfied. Paris, 2 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

3 Dec. **979.** TRIAL of LORD MONTAGUE and the MARQUIS of EXETER.

R. O. File of documents known as "Baga de Secretis, Pouch XI. bundle II." consisting of the following† :—

1. Commission appointing Sir Thomas Audeley, lord Audeley of Walden, chancellor, as lord High Steward, *hac vice*, for the trial of Henry marquis of Exeter, and Henry lord Mountagu, *alias* Mountacute, who are severally indicted of treasons, &c., before commissioners (named) in London, Middlesex, Surrey, Sussex, and Bucks.

2. Writ of *Habeas Corpus* addressed to the constable of the Tower, to produce Henry marquis of Exeter, and Henry lord Montague before Audeley, lord High Steward. Westm., 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

3. Precept by Audeley, lord High Steward, to the constable of the Tower, to bring up the body of Henry Lord Montacute at Westminster, Monday, 2 Dec. *Dated* 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII *Signed.*

Endorsed as responded to by Sir Wm. Kyngeston, constable, with the note that Montacute was committed to his custody for certain treasons.

4. Precept by Audeley, lord High Steward, to John Graynfeld, serjeant-at-arms, to summon lords, *proceres* and magnates, peers of Sir Henry lord Montacute, for the trial of the said Montacute at Westminster, Monday 2 Dec. *Dated* 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Endorsed as answered by Graynfeld, and that execution appears in the schedule attached.

5. Panel attached to the preceding, *i.e.*:—the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, Cromwell, the marquis of Dorset, the earls of Oxford, Shrewsbury, Essex, Derby, Rutland, Sussex, Huntingdon, Hertford, Southampton, and Bridgewater, and the lords Dacres of the South, Dacres of Gillesland, Morley, Cobham, Matravers, Grey of Wilton, Clinton, Mountjoy, Sandys, Windsor, Wentworth, Burght, Mordaunt [and Hungerford]‡. After each name, except Hungerford's, is written "cull" (*culpabilis*).

Endd. "Po. se cull."

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* See Vol. IX., No. 560, where he is called Pers Tylly.

† *See* Deputy Keeper's Third Report, App. II. 255. ‡ Cancelled.

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6. *London.* Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 30 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., before Wm. Forman, mayor, Sir John Dauncy, Sir Ralph Waren, Sir Ric. Gresham, Sir Roger Cholmeley, serjeant-at-law, Sir Thos. Kytson, and Nich. Hare, whereby appears that the indictments hereto annexed are found by Ric. Osborne, Wm. Colshill, Ric. Holt, John Scutt, Wm. Butler, Thos. Broke, Wm. Taillour, Roger Starkey, Andrew Fraunces, Robt. Trappes, Edm. Shawe, John Husshe, John Miller, John Royse, Ric. Downes, John Cookes, Edw. Bover, and David Wodrouff.

7. *London.* Indictment setting forth that, whereas the King (like all his predecessors) is supreme head of the English Church, which authority Paul III. the present Roma pontiff, like a public enemy of the King and realm, without any right or title has arrogantly claimed for himself; and that one Reginald Pole, late of London, esquire, *alias* late dean of Exeter, Michael Throgmerton, late of London, gentleman, John Helyard of Warblyngton, Hants, clk., Thos. Goldwell, late of Cheryton, Kent, clk., and Wm. Petowe, late of West Grenewiche, Kent, Observant friar, knowing the said Roman pontiff to be the King's enemy, did, 20 July 28 Hen. VIII., falsely, maliciously, and traitorously betake themselves to the same Roman pontiff in parts beyond sea, and maliciously, falsely, unnaturally, and traitorously renounce their natural prince; and the said Pole without licence of the King, sought or obtained, assumed the dignity of a cardinal of the said Roman pontiff; and thus the said Pole, &c., are ever since living and wandering in parts beyond sea under the obedience of the said Roman pontiff, and daily denying the King's Supremacy; and, the more fully to publish his said false and traitorous opinion, the said Pole, 1 Jan. 28 Hen. VIII., sent to London certain letters written with his own hand, which altogether and openly denied the King's Supremacy.

And furthermore that Sir Henry Pole, late of Buckmer, Bucks, lord Montacute, *alias* Henry lord Montacute, like a false traitor, &c., to favour, promote, and confirm the said Reginald Pole in his traitorous proceedings, said (1) to Sir Geoffrey Pole, his brother, 24 March 28 Henry VIII., and divers times before and since, at Salisbury House, in the parish of St. Mary Botulph and ward of Walbroke, London, "I like well the doings of my brother the Cardinal, and I would we were both over the sea, for this world will one day come to stripes. It must needs to come to pass one day; and I fear me we shall lack nothing so much as honest men," and also "I dreamed that the King is dead." And again, (2) on the 28th March 28 Hen. VIII., "He is not dead, but he will die one day suddenly. His leg will kill him, and then we shall have jolly stirring." And again, (3) 1 April 28 Hen. VIII, "The King said to the lords that he should go from them one day," and added thereupon "If he will serve us so we shall be happily rid. I never loved him from childhood," and again "He will be out of his wit one day," and again, (4) 2 April 28 Hen. VIII., falsely said "Knaves rule about the King. I trust the world will amend, and that we shall have a day upon these knaves. And this world will come to stripes one day," and also (to the said Geoffrey) "Cardinal Wolsey had been an honest man if he had had an honest master." *Subscribed* Dominus Montacute.

Endd.: Billa vera.

8. *Bucks.*—Inquisition taken at Aylesbury, 30 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., before Wm. lord Grey of Wilton, Sir John Baldwyn, Sir Wm. Barrynton, Sir Walt. Stoner, Edm. Pekham, Robt. Drury, Thos. Gifford, Geo. Gifford and Paul Darrell, by virtue of the King's commission, whereby appears that the indictment hereto attached was found by Sir Edw. Dun, Sir Robt. Lee, Griffin Richard, John Scrope, Tewcher Bold, Rich. Lovett, John Cheyney, Benedict Lee, Thos. Restold, Hen. Hampden, John Welsburn, Ric. Ingoldsby, Alex. Wryght, and Ric. Blaknell.

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9. *Bucks.*—Indictment of Lord Montague. The same as § 7, except that the words are here said to have been spoken at Medmenham, (1) 25 Feb., (2) 27 Feb., and (3) 14 April, to Sir Geoffrey Pole and (4) 25 April, to John Colyns.

10. *Sussex.*—Inquisition taken at Estgrenested, 30 Nov., 30 Hen. VIII, before Sir Wm. Shelley, Sir John Gage, Sir Ric. Shirley, Sir Wm. Goryng, John Sakvile, Ric. Sakvile, John Michell and John Carell, by virtue of the King's commission, whereby it appears that the indictment hereto attached was found by Ric. Bellyngeham, Nich. Gaynesford, John Lee of Fitilworth, Robt. Oxenbrigge, John Parker, Hen. Hussey, Thos. Onley, Thos. Bartlott, Nich. Apsley, John Covert, Thos. Sherley, John Lewys,* John Apsley, Ric. Farnfold, Edw. Sherley, John Bolney and Wm. Cheney.

11. *Sussex.* Indictment of Lord Montague. In the same form as § 7. He said at Lurdyngton to Sir Geoffrey Pole, 12 May, 27 Hen. VIII, "I like well the doings," &c. (*as in* § 7, *with the addition* "I had lever dwell in the West parts than at Warblyngton, for in the West parts the lord Marquis of Exeter is strong. I am sorry the lord of Bergevenny is dead, for if he were alive he were able to make ten thousand men") ; and again 10 July 29 Hen. VIII, "Tush Geoffrey, thou hast no caste. The lord Darcy played the fool. He went about to pluck away the Council, he should first have begun with the head. But I beshrew him for leaving off so soon."

12. Precept by Audeley, Lord High Steward, to the constable of the Tower, to bring up the body of Henry, marquis of Exeter at Westminster on Tuesday 3 Dec. Dated 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.. Endorsed as* responded to by Sir Wm. Kyngeston, constable, with the note that Exeter was committed to his custody for certain treasons.

13. Precept by Audeley, Lord High Steward, to John Graynfeld, serjeant at arms, to summon lords, *proceres* and magnates, peers of Henry marquis of Exeter, for the trial of the said marquis at Westminster, Tuesday 3 Dec. Dated 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Endd. as answered by Graynfeld, and that the execution appears in the schedule attached.

14. Panel attached. *Same as* § 5.

15. *London.* Indictment of the marquis of Exeter. In the same form as § 7. He said, 26 July, 28 Hen. VIII., in the parish of St. Laurence Pulteney, London, "I like well the proceedings of the Cardinal Pole, but I like not the proceedings of this realm and I trust to see a change of this world." He also, well knowing Henry lord Montague to be a false traitor, held divers treasonable conferences with him in divers parts of the realm, and notably, 20 Aug., 29 Hen. VIII., he said, in the parish aforesaid, "I trust once to have a fair day upon these knaves which rule about the King, and I trust to see a merry world one day"; and again, 20 Sept., 29 Hen. VIII., "Knaves rule about the King" but (extending his clenched fist) "I trust to give them a buffet one day."

16. *Surrey.* Special commission to Sir Chr. Hales, master of the Rolls Sir Ric. Weston, Sir Thos. Nevell, Sir Nich. Carewe, Sir Ant. Broun, Sir Matth. Broun, John Danester baron of the Exchequer, Chr. More, Robt. Acton, Thos. Stydall and John Mores for receiving indictments in Surrey. Westm. 23 Nov., 30 Hen. VIII. *Fragment of Great Seal attached. Endorsed with note that execution appears by two schedules attached thereto.*

17. *Surrey.* Indictment of the marquis of Exeter. The same as § 15 except that the words are here said to have been spoken at Westhorseley, Surr., 24 July, 28 Hen. VIII. (to Sir Geoffrey Pole), 25 Aug. 28 Hen. VIII. and 1 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII.

* Ledes in No. 986 (9).

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979. Trial of Lord Montague and the Marquis of Exeter—*cont.*

18. Certificate of Sir Chr. Hales and his fellows returning into Chancery the commission and indictment, as found 29 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., at Southwark, by Sir Roger Copley, Robt. Wyntershull, John Skynner, Wm. Muschampe, Thos. Heron, John Scott, Jas. Skynner, Ralph Legh, Wm. Saunder, Hen. Gaynesford, Ric. Morgan, Austin Skerne, John Agmondesham, John Burley, Ric. Creswell, Ric. Elyot, John Castelton and John Weston of Okeham.

19. Record of proceedings, reciting § 1 and § 2, whereupon the lord Steward issued his precept (§ 3). He also gave a precept to John Graynfeld serjeant at arms (§ 4).

Pleas before Audeley, lord Steward, Monday 2 Dec., 30 Hen. VIII. Audeley (as Chancellor) produced the indictments. Sir Wm. Kyngeston, constable of the Tower, brought up Lord Montague. Graynfeld intimated that peers were summoned, whereupon (proclamation being made) the following answered to their names (list as in § 5). §§ 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 recited. Montague, being brought to the bar, pleaded not guilty. Jury of peers examined *instanter* from the lowest to the highest. Verdict, guilty. The King's serjeants and attorney prayed judgment. Judgment (as usual: execution to be at Tyburn).

The lord Steward then adjourned the court till next day and gave precept to the constable of the Tower to bring up the marquis of Exeter, and to Graynfeld to summon a jury of peers.

Pleas, 3 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. Similar to the preceding. Recites §§ 6, 15 and 17 with the inquisition embodied in § 18. Verdict and judgment (as in the preceding).

Endd. as delivered into Court by the Chancellor, Trinity Term 30 *Hen. VIII.*

980. Norfolk to Cromwell.

R. O. This night after I had supped, Sir Philip Shamborne desired to speak with me. He said he was in danger for my lord Marquis in divers bonds and only "used familiarity" with him till they were discharged, when he intended to give up the office of the Stannery under him. The bonds were one of 100*l.*, whereof 20*l.* paid, the other to pay yearly 40*l.* to one Lady Gray, but which Lady Gray he knows not. The bearer shall declare the rest.

Hol. p. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

3 [Dec.] **981.** Honor Lady Lisle to Lord Lisle.

R. O. "My nowein swette hert, even with my whole heart root, I have me most heartily recommended unto you." I have received your letters, but so pressing is the King's business that for eight days I have not been able to speak with my lord Privy Seal. I expect to find him at leisure on Thursday next, when I will speak to him of your affair, and if he is not conformable to reason, I will open the same to the King. I would have been with the King before but for the said lord's displeasure, which I would not gladly have, but if I am driven to it I will speak to the King, who I hope will take what I say in good part. Of my interview with his lordship I will let you know in three days. I have spoken plainly to him of your annuity, as you wished, but "how he handled me and shook me up, I will not now write, nor it is not to be written." He plainly said that your annuity should be no more than 200*l.* As to your writing that you never longed so sore for me, your desire in that behalf can be no vehementer than mine. I can neither eat, sleep nor drink, my heart is so heavy, and it will never be light till I am with you. London, 3 Nov. (Dec.?) *Signed.*

Burn these letters for though I have sorrows I would have no creature partake of them.

In Hussey's hand. pp. 2. *Add.*

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3 Dec. **982.** THOS. WARLEY to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Baynam tells me you were partly displeased with me for not remembering the satin for your lordship's gown. I beg you not to think I could forget anything you put me in trust of. I have spoken several times to my brother for it, once in presence of my Lady, but he had none good enough to send. He is expecting some daily. My lord Chancellor, who is now created Lord Audeley, is so busy in high matters that I can find no opportunity to speak to him about protections. The lord Montague was yesterday attainted of high treason, and the lord Delaware committed to the Tower. Today the marquis of Exeter is had to Westminster for his trial. It is a heavy case that they should be false to the King, who is so gracious to his true subjects. London, 3 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.* Deputy of Calais.

3 Dec. **983.** RIVAULX or RIEVALL ABBEY.

R. O. Rymer, XIV. 622. Surrender (by Roland Blytone, abbot, and the convent) of the monastery and all its possessions in co. York or elsewhere in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and the marches thereof. 3 Dec., 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Roland the abbot, 21 *priests, one of whom signs with a mark, and a subdeacon.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 38.]

Seal almost gone.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll p.* 5, *No.* 59] without mem. of acknowledgment.

3 Dec. **984.** ROGER BEDULL to SCUDAMORE and BURGOYNE.

Add. 11,041 f. 48. B. M. Wright's Supp. of Mon. 280. Your servants have demanded of me certain salt that the abbey of Bordysley had yearly. For the last that was made I paid Thos. Evans, 53*s.* 4*d.* Thinks nothing more is due as yet, "for Bordysley salt is wont to be made always between Easter and Pentecost." I have also received your rent roll and gathered up the rent, and found more than is there, as appears by a rent roll that your clerk made out of mine. Droitwich, 3 Dec.

ii. Statement of "charges that belongeth to the salt making," and his own fee for rent collecting, &c.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Scuddamore and Mr. Burgvenye (*sic.*)

3 Dec. **985.** SIR WM. BRERETON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs his favour to the bearer, his servant, for the reversion of an office held by William Clayton. Brereton, 3 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Dec. **986.** TRIAL of SIR GEOFFREY POLE, SIR EDW. NEVILL, and others.

R. O. File of documents known as "Baga de Secretis, Pouch XI., Bundle I.", consisting of the following*:—

1. *Bucks, Surr., Suss., London and Middlesex.* Commission of Oyer and Terminer to Thomas Audeley, lord Audeley of Walden, Chancellor, Thos., duke of Norfolk, Chas., duke of Suffolk, Sir Thomas Cromwell, lord Cromwell, Privy Seal, John, earl of Oxford, Henry, earl of Essex, Robt., earl of Sussex, Edw., earl of Hertford, Wm., earl of Southampton, Wm., lord Sandys, Sir Chr. Hales, Master of the Rolls, Sir John Baldwyn, Sir John Porte, Sir John Spelman, Sir Walt. Luke, Sir Wm. Shelley, Sir Thos. Willoughby, and Sir Chr. Jenney. The first four and last eight, or any one of them, being of the quorum. Westm., 2 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

* *See* Deputy Keeper's Third Report, App. II. 251.

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2. *London.* Writ of venire addressed to the sheriff. Westm., 3 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

3. *Middlesex.* Ditto.

4. *Bucks.* Ditto.

5. *Sussex.* Ditto.

6. Precept by Audeley and his fellows to the constable of the Tower, to bring before them at Westminster on Wednesday 4 Dec., the bodies of Sir Edw. Nevyll, Sir Geoff. Pole, Geo. Croftes, clk., Hugh Holland, yeoman, and John Collyns, clk. Westm., 4 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Endorsed with the reply of Sir Wm. Kyngeston, constable of the Tower, that the persons (named) were committed to his custody by the King for certain treasons, but that he has them ready as directed.

7. *Sussex.* Special commission to Sir Wm. Shelley, Sir John Gage, Sir Ric. Shirley, Sir Wm. Goryng, John Sakvyle, Ric. Sakvyle, Chr. More, Wm. Waller, Thos. Darell, John Michell, and John Carill for receiving indictments. Westm., 23 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

8. *Sussex.* Justices' precept for return of a jury at Eastgrensted on Saturday, St. Andrew's Day next. Dated 23 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

Endd. as executed by Sir Edw. Bray, sheriff.

9. Jury panel annexed to the preceding :—Ric. Bellyngham, Nich. Gaynsford, John Lee of Fitilworth, Robt. Oxenbrygge, John Parker, Hen. Hussey, Thos. Onley, Thos. Bartlott, Nic. Apsley, John Covert, Thos. Sherley, John Ledes, John Apsley, Ric. Farnfold, Edw. Sherley, John Bolney, and Wm. Cheyney. All sworn.

Endd.

10. *Sussex.* Indictment of Geoffrey Pole*, late of Lurdyngton, *alias* Lordyngton, Suss., *alias* of London, knight, in the same form as No. 979 § 7. He said to his brother, Sir Hen. Pole, lord Mountacute, 12 May 27 Hen. VIII.†, at Lurdyngton, "Brother, I like well the proceedings of my brother Raynold Pole, cardinal at Rome; but I like not the doings and proceedings in this realm, and I trust to see a change of this world." Also, 14 April 28 Hen. VIII.† at Lurdyngton, the said Geoffrey said to one Hugh Holland, an abominable traitor who was intending to pass to Rome, "Commend me to my brother, the cardinal Pole, and shew him I would I were with him, and ["I" *in* § 11] will come to him, if he will have me, for ("and" *in* § 11) to show him the world in England waxeth all crooked, God's law is turned upsodowne, abbeys and churches overthrown, and he is taken for a traitor, and I think they will cast down parish churches and all at the last. And because he shall trust you, show him this token, and show him further that there ben men sent from England daily to destroy him, and that much money would be given for his head." And further the said Geoffrey, 4 Nov. 28 Hen. VIII.† at Lurdyngton, said to one George Croftes, clk., a false traitor," I must go Northward, but I will shift for me well enough. If they come to fighting I will save one."

Subscribed: Galfridus Pole. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

11. *Sussex.* Indictment of Hugh Holand,* late of Warblyngton *or* Warbylton, Hants, yeoman, in the same form as No. 979 § 7. He (knowing Sir Geoffrey Pole and John Helyard to be false traitors, and the said Helyard desiring to pass to the said Reginald Pole beyond sea) did, 1 May, 28 Hen. VIII., at Lurdyngton, at the request of the said Geoffrey, secretly

* Marked as pleading guilty.
† These dates have been filled in in spaces left blank at first.

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convey the said Helyarde; and, for that, received 30 Aug. 28 Hen. VIII. certain money from the said Helyard. Moreover the said Holand on that day said: "I have brought the vicar of Est Mene, with his servant Henry Pynyng, two horses and 36*l.* in money, to Paris." Moreover, the said Holand, 14 April, 28 Hen. VIII., at Lurdyngton, promising to go to the said Reginald Pole, the said Geoffrey said to him, "Commend me to my brother" &c. (*as in* § 10); which words Holand carried to the said Reginald, the cardinal, beyond sea and brought back messages from the said cardinal to the said Geoffrey, 1 May, 29 Hen. VIII., to Lurdyngton. And moreover the said Holand, 14 July, 29 Hen. VIII., at Lurdyngton, received divers letters from the said John Helyard, and delivered the same 14 Sept. 29 Hen. VIII. to the said Geoffrey, at Lurdyngton.

Subscribed: Galfridus Pole et Hugo Holand. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

12. *Sussex.* Indictment of Edw. Nevyll, late of Birlyng, Kent, *alias* of London, knight, in the same form as No. 979 § 7. He said openly 4 Aug. 30 Hen. VIII., at Cowdrey, Suss., "The King is a beast and worse than a beast," and also "I trust knaves shall be put down and lords reign one day, and that the world will amend one day."

Subscribed: Nevyle. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

13. *Sussex.* Indictment of George Croftes,† late chancellor of Chichester Cathedral, clk., *alias* late of Broughton, Oxon., in the same form as No. 979 § 7. He said to Sir Henry Pole, lord Mountacute, a wicked traitor, 1 June 30 Hen. VIII., at Lurdyngton, "The King is not supreme head of the Church of England but the bishop of Rome is supreme head of the Church," and also "There was none act or thing that ever he did more grieved his conscience than the oath which he took to renounce the bishop of Rome's authority."

Subscribed: Georgius Croftes. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

14. Certificate of Shelley and his fellows (except More, Waller, and Darell) returning the commission and indictments into Chancery.

15. *Bucks.* Special commission to Wm. lord Grey of Wilton, Sir John Baldewyn, Sir Wm. Barentyne, Sir Walt. Stonour, Edm. Pekham, Robt. Drewry, Thos. Gyfford, George Gyfford, and Paul Darell for receiving indictments. Westm., 23 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

16. *Bucks.* Justices' precept to the sheriff for return of a jury at Aylesbury on Saturday next. Dated 26 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

Endd. as returned by Sir Robt. Dormer, sheriff.

17. Jury panel annexed:—Sir Edw. Dun,* Sir Robt. Lee,* Griffin Richardes,* John Scrope,* Towchard Bold,* Ric. Lovett,* John Cheyney,* Benedict Lee,* Robt. Pygott, Thos. Hawtrey, John Rofford, Thos. Low, Thos. Restold,* Hen. Hampden,* John Welsburn,* Ric. Ingolsby,* Alex. Wryte,* Edm. Brytnell, Ric. Blaknell,* Thos. Saunders, Robt. Ansley, Ralph Kyngston, John Boston, Wm. Arden, and Edw. Staunton. Those marked (*) being sworn.

18. *Bucks.* Indictment (in the same form as No. 979 § 7) of Sir Geoffrey Pole for words spoken to lord Mountacute at Medmenham, Bucks, 31 May 29 Hen. VIII. "Brother I like well," &c. (*as in* § 10).

Subscribed: Galfridus Pole. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

19. *Bucks.* Indictment of John Colyns,‡ late of Medmenham, Bucks, *alias* of London, clk., in the same form as No. 979 § 7. He said to Sir Henry Pole, lord Mountacute, a wicked traitor, at Medmenham, 21 May 29 Hen. VIII., "The King will hang in hell one day for the plucking

† Note interlined that he first pleaded not guilty and afterwards guilty.
‡ Marked as pleading guilty.

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down of abbeys," and also, 20 Aug. 29 Hen. VIII., "I fear that within a while the King will pull down parish churches."

Subscribed: Colyns, clericus. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

20. *Bucks.* Certificate of lord Grey and his fellows returning the commission and indictment into Chancery.

21. *London.* Special commission to Wm. Forman, mayor, Sir John Daunce, Sir Ralph Waren, Sir Ric. Gresham, Sir Edm. Walsingham, Sir Roger Cholmeley, serjeant-at-law, Sir Thos. Kytson, and Nich. Hare for receiving indictments.

22. *London.* Indictment (in the same form as No. 979 § 7) of Sir Geoffrey Pole, for his words to lord Mountacute, which are here quoted as spoken 24 March 28 Hen. VIII., and many times before and after, at Salisbury House, in the parish of St. Mary Botolph's (*Sancte Marie Botulphi*), in the ward of Walbroke in London.

Subscribed: Geffrey Pole. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

23. *London.* Certificate of Wm. Forman, mayor, and his fellows (except Walsingham), returning into Chancery the commission and the indictment, as found at the Guildhall of London, by Ric. Osborne, Wm. Colshyll, Ric. Holt, John Scutt, Wm. Butler, Thos. Broke, Wm. Tayllor, Roger Starkey, Andrew Fraunces, Robt. Trappes, Edm. Shawe, John Husshe, John Myller, John Royse, Ric. Downes, John Cockes, Edw. Bover, and David Wodrouff.

24. *Middlesex.* Special commission to Wm. Prior of St. John of Jerusalem, Sir Chr. Hales, M.R.; Sir John Daunce, John Hales, Thos. Walsshe, barons of the Exchequer; Sir Roger Cholmeley, serjeant at law, Humph. Broun, King's serjeant at law, John Croke, Robt. Chesman, Guy Crayford, Thos. Russhton, and Robt. Broke for receiving indictments. *Fragment of Great Seal appended.*

25. *Middlesex.* Indictment of Sir Edw. Nevyll,‡ in the same form as No. 979 § 7. He said, 12 July 29 Hen. VIII., at Westminster, "The King is a beast," &c. (*sayings quoted as in* § 12), and also, 21 May 30 Hen. VIII., at Westminster, he said to Sir Geoff. Pole, a wicked traitor, "Be merry man, this world will change one day and then we will be merry. We shall have a day upon these knaves that rule about the King."

Subscribed: Nevyle. *Endd.:* Billa vera.

26. *Middlesex.* Certificate of Wm., prior of St. John's and his fellows, returning into Chancery the commission and indictment as found by Wm. Bower, John Newdygate, Wm. Locke, Robt. Curson, Gregory Lovell, Hen. Hublethorn, Wm. Pachett, Jasper Locke, Fras. Goodyere, Thos. Burbage, Hen. Lodesman, John Wylford, Wm. Berde, Ralph Caldwall, John Tawe, and Wm. Chawfount.

27. *Middlesex.* Precept by Audeley and his fellows to the sheriff for the return of a jury at Westm., 4 Dec., for the trial of Sir Edw. Nevyll of Byrlyng, Kent. Westm., 4 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Endd. as answered by Wm. Wylkynson and Nich. Gybson, sheriffs.

28. Jury panel annexed, *i.e.*:—Sir John Dauntesey,* Sir John Allen,* Sir John Chameney,* Sir Ric. Gresham,* Thos. Kyttson,* John Conyngesby,* Michael Dormer, Ric. Aunsham*, Robt. Cheseman,* Edw. North,* John Malte, John Lymsey,* John Hewyse,* Thos. [E]dgare, Thos. Abram, Robt. Dawbeney, Wm. Roper, Thos. Burnell, Wm. Curteyse, Ric. Callerd, Wm. Dawnsey, Robt. Warner, Edm. Shawe,* John Bygges, Thos. Pachett, Wm. Shawe, Robt. Redman, John Wylloughby, and Robt. Lyster. Those marked with an asterisk (*) are sworn.

‡ Noted as pleading not guilty.

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29. Record of pleas at Westminster, Wednesday 4 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII., reciting §§ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and a writ of *Habeas Corpus* to the constable of the Tower, upon which the justices issued their precept (§ 6).

The Chancellor personally delivered into court the following indictments (recited) *i.e.*:—§§ 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 22, and 25.

Pole, Croftes, Colyns, and Holand being brought to the bar by Sir Wm. Kyngeston, constable of the Tower, severally plead Guilty. Nevyll pleads Not guilty. Award of *venire* of petty jury *instanter*. Verdict, Guilty. The King's serjeants pray judgment. Judgment (as usual in cases of high treason); execution to be at Tyburn. Delivered into Court by lord Audeley, Chancellor, Hilary Term 30 Hen. VIII.

987. Declaration by Sir Edward Nevill.

R. O. "I holy put me to the marsse (*mercy*) of Gode ande to my kyng and soveryn lord, that I never dede nor syde the thyng that scholde be contrary to my ellegens nor harde no oddar, as Gode schalle joge me at my dethe, but that I have reherssyd, wyche cleres my none conssyens; for yffe I knu onny more by my sellffe or onny oddar, I wolde as well expreste yt to axsse marsse as to damn my solle. By me, E. Sir Nevyll."

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4 Dec. **988.** Thos. Prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has given Cromwell's servant Wm. Culpeper, for whom he wrote, the reversion of the office of marshal in the house, which is one of the best things he can give. Till it is vacant, will give him four nobles yearly. Sends by John Antony, the bearer, 10*l.* for Cromwell's half year's fee, due at All Saints. Canterbury, Wednesday, 4 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

4 Dec. **989.** Eynsham Abbey.

R. O. Rymer, xiv. 615. Surrender to John London, clerk, of the site, &c., of the house, and all its possessions in England, to the King's use. 4 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Anthony the abbot, S.T.P., Edm. Etun, prior, Geo Brodhurst, sub-prior, *and seven others.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 20.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll. Pt.* 5, *No.* 54] as acknowledged same day before John Williams, King's commissioner.

5 Dec. **990.** Lord Lisle to Cromwell.

R. O. The men of war still remain about Amyas, Rewe, and St. Rickiers. I have sent you several letters touching the sluices at the Lantern gate, and Water gate, and also for Sandgate, but have not yet had an answer. I beg you to be good lord to me about my annuity and the friars, and to my wife, Honor, who I am sure will do your pleasure touching Paynswick. I beg you to credit her in a matter she will move to you, in which your lordship will be a gainer and I no loser; also to despatch her soon, as you know I am not rich. The marquis of Exeter had four lordships of mine in feefarm which he bought of Sir John Dudley, viz., Iddesley, Ringes Ash, and Charleton in Devonshire, and Trevespite in Cornwall, worth between 60*l.* and 80*l.* a year. I beg that I may have possession during my life; for the reversion is in the King's hands, if it be as is reported of the said Marquis. Calais, 5 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

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5 Dec. **991.** LORD LISLE to LADY LISLE.

R. O. "My nown sweetheart," &c., "which never thought so long for his own heart." Wonders she has sent him no word of his servant and friend Corlepat. Has written twice, and had no answer. "I insure you, our docteris were never in such silence, for they dare not speak one word touching the Blessed Sacrament. I had never better health, but I think so much on you I cannot sleep i'the night when I think on you in two hours after. There was never child thought so long for his nurse, as I do for you." I pray you let me have a new doublet against Christmas. Has written to the lord Privy Seal. Sends a copy. Try and get Mr. Knevet to ask of the King Chedamholt and Ockyngton, and that you may have it of him, paying as ye can agree, or Colpeper. "If I may know when you will be at Duer, I will send you meat and wine." Calais, 5 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

5 Dec. **992.** CHARLES V. to QUEEN MARY OF HUNGARY.

Lanz, II. 686. "Par lectre du v. de decembre reprent la charge de don Diego de ce que est passé à l'entreveu,* et respondt generalement sur chacun point, et ne sçauroit escripre davantaige jusques a ce qu'il sçavera comme sa response sera prinse en France. Escript ce que est passé entre les députés de Loraine et lui, et les overtures faites de costé dudict duc de Loraine, et le tout est remis à la royne. De temporiser avec Engleterre. Apres escript ce que est passé avecq le secretaire de Cleves. Si on ne puelt traicter avecq Engleterre et Cleves, que on regarde si on pourroit traicter avecq Loraine. Approeve ce que est traicté a La Fere pour esclarsir la tresve de Nyce."

6 Dec. **993.** BONNER to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 107. Having written to the King and Cromwell by Cromwell's servant Sebastian and by George Brigges, merchant of London, a kinsman of Bonner's, who left on the 1st inst. besides letters by one Edmund Style, merchant of London, then at Rouen, and others enclosed in a packet of Mr. Coverdale, writes now that immediately after Sebastian's departure at 9 a.m. on the 1st, he took his mule and went to Court at the Louvre where a marvellous company stood waiting at the Court gate, which was shut. Was told the French King had been that night very ill and therefore had caused the gates to be shut and the keys brought up to his own chamber. Thought this strange, as the day before, which was the feast of St. Andrew, the French King came down into his chapel at the Louvre wearing the Emperor's order and looking as lusty as ever Bonner saw him. Suspected the gates were shut rather for some marriage which they wished not openly known. Went into the tilt yard where there was also a great company awaiting the opening of the gates. Between 10 and 11 they were opened and Bonner entered. The French King came out of his chamber by his secret stair into the chapel, wearing a gown of taffeta with sables, his busking furred, and under his bonnet a velvet night cap, and looking very pale. At the mass, which was not long, he kneeled near the altar and had to be helped up by the Cardinal of Lorraine on one side and the count of St. Pol on the other. He turned to where the Dauphiness was with Madame de Estampes, with whom he talked a good while and then went up his privy stairs again. Bonner stood so that he might have seen him, and did, if he would have said anything. The same day the Constable brought not the King to the chapel, but went to dinner in his own chamber. The gates are still kept closed till about 10. One of the French King's surgeons says he hurt his foot in hunting. By another report he has the gout. Others say it is anguish that he is disappointed of Milan, or that it is his old disease. Two Italians told Bonner that Italians were forbidden to be present when the French King dined. A banquetting house is preparing within the Louvre

* Her interview with Francis I.

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and the marriages are talked of, of which Bonner wrote. The Dauphin, Orleans, Nevers and others every day run at the tilt at the Tornelles near the Bastille. When I do not go to Court myself I send Wm. Honnyng to learn what is done. Paris, 6 Dec.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

6 Dec. **994.** JOHN CHERETON to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Has written many letters "to a knew your Lordsch[ip's pleasure what I should] do," but has had no answer. The count de Tande has taken away the ordnance, "and all the freight that she has gotten for the voyage to . . . . 11 months at 200 crowns the month, and he has left me not[hing but] only one of the brazen pieces that weighs 11 cwt., and I must pay . . . crowns before that I can have that piece also; and the other piece was b[roken] all to pieces when the galleys was in Torke." Begs him to have compassion, as he has been frequently imprisoned and all his goods unjustly taken from him. The piece the count has left must be sold for want of shipping. It is said here that there is now open war between England and [the Emperor] and this country will take part against the former; and [if] I go to the galleys in chains there will be no remedy.

Headed: Anno 1538, the 6th December at Marselles.

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add.*

6 Dec. **995.** CASTELNAU, BP. OF TARBES to MONTMORENCY.

Ribier, I. 287. Has received his letter by the courier who was despatched from Chantilly on the 23d ult., and has declared to Granvelle the credence of Montmorency's letter to him. He was much pleased and had much conversation with Castelnau, which there is no time to report as the courier leaves at once. Has also presented his letters to the Emperor, who was much pleased at Montmorency's continual friendship, and says the man who is sent about the matter of the king and queen of Navarre will be welcome. The Emperor has spoken to me further about the matter of the king of England, and it is hoped Francis will soon reply to the letters which Castelnau wrote by a gentleman of the duke of Lorraine. The Pope's nuncio presses for vengeance for the relics of St. Edward and St. Thomas of Canterbury; and Granvelle says that when the answer of Francis is known, the Pope will send briefs to him and to the Emperor; and that it would be well the two princes sent a man to the king of England to admonish him *de se reduire*, and on his refusal to forbid commerce. This would discharge the kingdom of France of the pensions lawfully and without reproach; in which Granvelle would willingly assist, and the Emperor has nearly said the same to me, as I will write to you by the first despatch. This should be well considered, that delay may not change the opinion entertained here, and that no one may suspect that Francis reserves to himself the said king of England for some exploit to their prejudice.

Granvelle tells me that the Emperor has already written to the fiscal of the Imperial Chamber that all suits cease against those who have served Francis. Toledo, 6 Dec. 1538.

Granvelle says that the English ambassador wishes the Emperor to bind himself anew, if the marriages* go forward, to assist the king of England to recover his pensions.

French.

7 Dec. **996.** TALK ABOUT THE NORTHERN REBELLION.

R. O. Saturday, 7 Dec. 30 Henry VIII.:—Richard Oversole, aged 17, born in Northalderton, "tyllour," son of Geo. Oversole, "tyllour," says he came from Northalderton three weeks ago. Dwelt from birth with his father till that

* Of Henry and of the Princess Mary.

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996. TALK ABOUT THE NORTHERN REBELLION—*cont.*

time and that he came to these parts of Kent to his aunt at Dover, called Isabel Forust, singlewoman, servant to Robert Welden, of Dover, and sister to Joan his mother; the said George and Joan being there at the time. He came from London by barge to Gravesend on Thursday, 28 Nov., and lodged at the house of Robt. Kowe, palemaker, at Kay Street beside Chesynwoode, in the parish of Bobbyng, a mile from Sittingbourn, and on Friday morning, the vigil of St. Andrew, having communication with the said Robert on his way to Canterbury he said, if the commons that were late rebels in the North had come forth in their purposed journey the lord Cromwell would have fled the land. These words were said by so many that he cannot tell their names. He said to the said Robert that one of the Percy's was gone into Scotland and all other were then dead,* and if anything happened to the King the said Percy would be next to the Crown.

Robert Kowe says that Ric. Oversole who lodged at his house on Friday the vigil of St. Andrew said, as they were going from Key Street to Canterbury, that all the Percys were dead except one, and he would cause England to shine as bright as St. George, and that the Scotch king would be duke of York and the King and lord Cromwell would flee the land.

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7 Dec. **997.** ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

R. O. Inspeximus and exemplification of a decree made by the chancellor and council of the Augmentations on 20 May 29 Hen. VIII. confirming to the dean and chapter of St. Paul's their rights and dues by virtue of certain deeds, viz.;—(1.) by the prior of Leigh, A.D. 1276 for the anniversary of Herveus Boreham, then dean of London; (2.) by the abbey of Byleigh in pursuance of a composition between John Boston, their abbot, and Thos. Lizeux then dean of London, for the obits of Henry de Wingam, bp. of London; (3.) by the nuns of Stratford in pursuance of the decree of Gilbert, bp. of London on their controversy touching the church of Yseldon; (4.) of the union of the church of St. Mary Aldermanbury with the hospital founded by Wm. de Elesingges by authority of Stephen, bp. of London, 30 May 1331. *Dated:* Westm. 7 Dec. 30 Henry VIII.

Parchment. Memorandum on back of sums allotted in accordance with the decree.

7 Dec. **998.** The late NUNNERY OF MALLING.

R. O. Grant of annuity of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* payable by the Treasurer of Augmentations, to Joan Randall, late nun of the dissolved monastery of Mallynge, Kent. Westm., 7 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Orig. patent with Great Seal of Augmentations (mutilated) appended.

7 Dec. **999.** GERALD FITZGERALD, son of the Earl of Kildare, to CARDINAL POLE.

R. O. Desires his friendship towards Ruoric Ospealayn, a monk of the monastery of Collis Victoriæ (Knockmoy), and credence for his message. The writer's brother Thomas sent to Rome 300 ducats of gold by his clerk Charles Raynaldi, who died without effecting his business. Desires the cardinal to get the money from Dr. de Hortis and apply it as he thinks fit. Dounnegayll, 7 id. Dec. 1538. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add. in the text. A large seal (now lost) was originally affixed to the letter in front, the letter itself being open.*

* Sir Ingram Percy was the only surviving brother of the late Earl of Northumberland, who left no children.

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8 Dec. **1000.** THE MARQUIS OF EXETER'S SERVANTS.

R. O. Account of the sums paid 8 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. to the lord marquis [of Exeter's] servants for their wages due "at the feast of our Lord God next ensuing," viz.: to Jasper Horsey 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, Will. Daubeney 53*s.* 4*d.* and 12 other gentlemen named, sums ranging from these amounts to 40*s.* each, except one who has been paid before, and 10*s.* reward to two who have no wages; to five gentlewomen sums ranging from 28*s.* 4*d.*, to 21*s.* 4*d.* 64 yeomen, sums ranging from 53*s.* 4*d.*, to 2*s.* (except two who have been paid before); and twelve others not described by any designation, among whom are: John Dawes for two years 4*l.*; the keeper of Derkyng, John Dey, 15*s.*; Elizabeth the launder, 26*s.* 8*d.*; the "noryce" of Walton, 40*s.* and Elizabeth the rocker, 13*s.* 4*d.* Total 114*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

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1001. THE MARQUIS OF EXETER'S LANDS.

Add. Ch. 13187. B. M. A rentroll of the manor of Colyton, headed: — "Com. Devon. Parcell' possess' Henrici [nuper marchionis] Exon' de alta, prodicione [attincti]." Arranged under the tithings of Colyton, Stoford, Wodland, Wacchecombe, and Yeardebery. The names of the tenants are given and the common land held by them in each tithing is specified. Total 48*l.* 14*d.*

Memorandum that the premises are to be granted unto the tenants of the same manor, and to their heirs in fee farm for ever, yielding and paying therefor yearly unto the King's Majesty, his heirs and his successors the [clear] yearly rent of 48*l.* 14*d.* above specified, to be paid quarterly" under certain specified conditions, the statement of which is partly lost by mutilation but can be supplied from §2.

A roll of eleven sheets of paper sewed end to end, written on one side only.

Add. Ch. 13798. B. M. 2. Later copy of the same, from which passages lost in the original can be supplied.

A paper roll of ten sheets like the preceding.

Add. Ch. 13,178, 13779–13792. B. M. 3. A number of other rent rolls, and court rolls of Henry Courtenay marquis of Exeter and of his grandfather Edward Courtenay earl of Devon, and of the lands of the former after his attainder, extending from A.D. 1516 to 1540. Add. Charter 13790 consists of extracts of a court roll of the manor of Whytewyll (now become the King's) held before Richard Pollard, chief steward, and Anthony Harvy, surveyor of the same, on the 25th April, 31 Hen. VIII. (A.D. 1539).

1002. THE MARQUIS OF EXETER.

R. O. Grants by the King to Henry marquis of Exeter.

Anno 17, a message and mansion in the parish of St. Laurence Pounteney, London, *Anno 18, constableship of Windsor Castle. 25 May anno 15, stewardship of the duchy of Cornwall and Devon and the manor of Mere, Wilts. 3 April anno 14, stewardship of the honor of Wyngley. *28 April a° 14, custody of the manor and new lodge of Byrling, Kent. 1 Aug a° 14, manor of Keleland Carlion, Cornw. 9 Nov. a° 28, site of Brymmer priory. *29 April, a° 22, manors of Edelmeton, Saysbury, and Depehams, Midd.

Latin, p. 1. *Endd.*

1003. THE MARQUIS OF EXETER'S PAPERS.

R. O. Paper headed "To my lord marquis of Exeter."

Apparently a tradesman's account for goods, such as bonnets, points, ribands, &c., supplied in the months of Jan., March, April, May, June, July,

* Marked with a cross in margin.

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1003. The Marquis of Exeter's Papers—*cont.*

August, Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec., and Jan. Prices of all articles given. In each month are one or two items of 1*d.* or 2*d.* for paper. The items are delivered by Davy, Mr. Maners, Richard, Mr. Horssy, Wm. Bothe, the yeoman of the horse, Barbar, Thomas, Mr. Daubnaye, Peky, by "your barber," Mr. Harvy, Nycollasse, John Wurslyng, by the footman and the page, "to my lord," by Edmond, and Carantt.

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R. O. 2. These ben the parcels * * * Excester the which * * * John Combe." A list of apparel, &c. evidently of the goods of the marquis of Exeter including 2 long gowns of crimson, five gowns of garters, two long gowns of camlet, one lined with sypres and the other furred with moles, &c. Last item 300 salt fish.

Large paper, pp. 3.

3. James Courtenay to the Marquis of Exeter

R. O. Received your letter on the Thursday before Christs' Day, asking for information about Sir Lewis Pollard's request concerning the manor of Grylston. Sir Lewis offered Edward Worth 20*l.* for a release of the said manor, and to put his son into service with one Helyer of Bampton, Sir Lewis' steward, for 9 or 10 years, and then give him fees worth 10*l.* a year. This was referred to me and Master Chamond. Meanwhile Worthe's wife, who was true inheritor of the manor died, and her son and heir was under 21 years. At the next sessions of the peace, Sir Lewis asked me and my brother to settle the matter whatever it cost him, but he died before anything was done. Yelton, on Sunday in the feast of St. Stephen. [A.D. 1518.] *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

1004. [Cromwell] to ——.

R. O. I have moved the King for payment of such money as the late marquis of Exeter owed "my loving friend your husband, whose soul God pardon," and found his Grace very favourable, as my servant Wm. Button, the bearer, can declare. As she is now sickly and broken with age, and has great substance of goods which she has wisely ordered in her lifetime and which it were pity should be "smored or misordered" after her death, advises her as a friend quietly to order her property now before "the ferventness and outrage of sickness" vex her, and in this she cannot do better than employ the bearer, who is of her "alliance," and one whom her husband much favoured. I beg you to inform me by him in writing of your conformity hereunto, whereby I may have cause to forward your said suit to the King.

Copy, pp. 2.

R. O. 2. Corrected draft of the preceding letter.

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8 Dec. **1005.** Lady Lisle to Lord Lisle.

R. O. Yesterday I was in hand with my lord Privy Seal touching your annuity. He told me I should have a full answer at his coming from Court, which should be on Monday or Tuesday at the furthest. Yesterday I went towards Court and was within three miles of it, and returned again by such chance as I now will not write. Your gown, hosen and points are ready, and your shirts and linen hosen shall not be forgotten. London, 8 Dec. *Signed.*

On Friday last my lord of Bridgwater acknowledged the recognisances, but my lord of Hertford has not signed and sealed the releases of his interest in the lands in Glostershire.

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8 Dec. R. O. **1006.** W. Earl of Southampton to Lord Lisle.

I have received a letter sent to myself and seen one sent to my brother* from your lordship, desiring to bestow two gunners' rooms there. I beg you to think no unkindness if I give you frankly my advice. Your lordship knows the statutes established by the King for the security of that town, especially the one about gunners which his Grace and the Council think of most importance. I beg you therefore not to attempt the breach of the law. I assure you no one is more anxious for your good than myself, as I trust my Lady partly perceived at her last being here, and will report to you. London, 8 Dec. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* lord Deputy of Calais. *Endd.*

8 Dec. R. O. **1007.** Bishop Roland Lee and W. Sulyard to Cromwell.

Have executed the King's commission in the suppression of the monastery of Wigmore. Send the books of the state of the same, the surrender and note of the fine taken, with such jewels and money as remained after the dispatching of the canons, by the bearer John Bradshawe. As touching the late abbot, the canon† renounced any further to proceed, as appears by his writing, sent. "The said late abbot hath the King's grant to execute." Shrewsbury, 8 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Dec. R. O. **1008.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

I beg you have in remembrance my own matters, and the suits of my friend John Bradshaw for the farm of the demesnes of Wygmore and the parsonage of Lenterden, who shall please you according to his promise. One Harper of the Court makes suit for the parsonage for a servant of his called Bellyngham. "In haste with a rude hand, in faute of my boy." 8 December.

P.S.—At your letters, we have delivered to the late abbot of Wygmore, his goods; the canon† could prove nothing. All is in good order here.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

8 Dec. R. O. Rymer xiv. 622. **1009.** Kirkham Priory.

Surrender (by John Kyldwyck, prior, and the convent) of the house and all its possessions in co. York and elsewhere in England, Wales, Ireland, and the marches thereof. 8 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Kylwyke prior, Wm. Lowson subprior, *and* 13 *priests, a deacon, and two undescribed.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II., 25.]

Bad Seal.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll. p* 5, *No.* 58] without mem. of acknowledgment.

8 Dec. R. O. St. P. v. 142. **1010.** Council of the North to Henry VIII.

Sat at Darneton, Dham., for the administration of justice, for a whole month from 30 Sept. last, and were well assisted by the lord of Westmoreland and Sir Wm. Eure. As there were no prisoners in Durham gaol and the plague reigned sore in sundry parts of Northumberland and Durham they have deferred making any assembly of the King's subjects there till their return after Easter. Divers of Sir Reynold Carnaby's prisoners in Warkworth Castle have died of plague; but Jerry Charleton *alias* Topping, the only accuser of John Heron of Chipches and the other murderers of Roger Fenwike, is yet living, and is indicted of sundry robberies. Ask

* His half brother Sir Anthony Browne. † John Lee. *See* No. 329.

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what to do with him at their said repair thither; and meanwhile have commanded Sir Reynold to keep him in sure custody. Sir Reynold has lately made suit for a strong house to be provided for him and the future keepers of Tynedale. Without such a strong house there and another in Riddisdale it will be hard to reduce the King's misordered subjects to due obedience. This day Sir Ralph Ellerker, Robt. Bowes, and Robt. Chaloner have gone to keep the sessions of *oyer determiner* at Carlisle assisted by lord Scrope and the other justices there. Have commanded the sheriff of Cumberland to have malefactors before them on the 11th inst. At Darneton summoned the deputy wardens of the West, East, and Middle marches, and admonished them to be more diligent in their duty than heretofore, and to render justice to subjects of both sides without respect of persons. Have caused an *oyer determiner* and gaol delivery to be kept in York Castle, which began on the 3rd inst., and in which lord Latimer and other commissioners have done good service. Four persons were condemned for high treason, *i.e.*, Henry Presteman and Agnes, his mother, for "recepting" John Presteman excepted out of the general pardon, Ric. Fishe for saying commissioners were sent to Lincolnshire to levy 6*s.* 8*d.* of every plough, and 6*s.* 8*d.* for every christening, &c., and Thos. Wellis for guiding Simon Marshall, another rebel "forprised" out of the pardon, which Simon has since died in prison in York castle. Besides those condemned for treason, 8 were cast for felonies, 2 for murders, and 2 for felonies who were "by their clergy committed to the Bishop's prison." York, 8 Dec. *Signed by Llandaff, Magnus, M. Constable, Ellerker, Fairfax, Bowis, Babthorpe, Chaloner, and Uvedale.*

Add. Endd.

8 Dec. R. O. **1011.** WILLIAM WISE to [the CHANCELLOR OF IRELAND].

Has this day spoken with a neighbour, a merchant of this city, just come from Yoghyll, where he lately arrived from parts beyond sea, who has told him in secret manner that on his landing he went to William Walsh's house, and there in the said William's chamber James the pretended earl of Desmond, the same William and his wife were together at supper, no others present. Walshe bade him welcome in Irish, asking whence he came, and on his saying from beyond the sea, James of Desmond asked "How doth the Emperor?" He replied "Like a noble man, but I have little speech on him but of mine own natural prince the king of England." Then said William Walshe, "But how doth our new pope in England?" He said I know no new pope there, nother no pope but the King." Walshe answered "But I wol be loth to be of his council which putteth to death the chief of his kin and council." The other answered that he did therein like a prince of justice, and would to God the like were done in Ireland; then should it be a merry land. James of Desmond answered "Ye say like a wise young man. Ye may depart." Your Lordship with the treasurer and the chief justice can weigh what these words amount to. William Walshe, for all his learning, is of small discretion, and if he be of less faith towards the King his persuasions to the said James will do little good. This man is in great fear to disclose this matter. I shall have him examined secretly before the mayor, and inform both my lord Deputy and your Lordship, and if yon come into these parts at this time you shall hear him speak; but I leave it to your discretion whether to move the matter further as there were only those three persons present. God grant you happy success in your new high room "wherein I doubt not ye shall do much better than ye conceive opinion of your doubtful hap. Learn to make virtue of necessity sith ye cannot choose but to travail in this office. Nobis nati non sumus, etc." Waterford, 8 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.:* Anno 30.

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9 Dec. **1012.** WHITBY ABBEY.

See GRANTS in DECEMBER, Nos. 8 and 13.

9 Dec. **1013.** FRANCIS EARL OF SHREWSBURY to JOHN SCUDAMORE.

Add. MS. 11,042 f. 95. B. M.

Has received his loving letter dated 28 Nov., and thanks him for his kindness touching the writer's leases of Brymsholme and the granges of Musden and Caldon.* Encloses a letter from the chancellor of Augmentations directed to Scudamore to restore the writer to his possession of Brymsholme, and asks when he intends to repair thither that he may send some folks to wait on him. I am well content that you shall take allowance of my fees in Staffordshire of the surrendered lands, and deduct therefrom the King's rents for my farm of Brymsholme. As for my offices in Herefordshire, there has been great labour made to me therefor, but I will grant nothing till I speak with you. Chelsey, 9 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

9 Dec. **1014.** NUTTLEY ABBEY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 613.

Surrender to John London, clk., of the site, &c., of the monastery and all its possessions in England to the King's use. Appointing Ambrose Clarke and Thos. Williams, laymen, as attorneys to receive and deliver the premises. 9 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Ric. Rydge, abbot, Valentine Baune, prior, *and* 13 *others.* [*See* Deputy Keepers's Eighth Report, App. II., 36.]

Seal almost gone.

Enrolled [*Close Roll, p. 5, No.* 51] as acknowledged, same day, before John Williams, King's Commissioner.

9 Dec. **1015.** The BIBLE.

R. O.

Depositions before Edw. Felyp, bailiff of Tenterden, John Parker and Thomas Asten, jurates there, 9 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII., concerning the sayings of Sir John Fuller, priest.

(1.) Richard Hope, of Tenterden, innholder, says that, 8 Sept. last, in his dwelling house, he heard Sir John Fuller say "that as for the looking upon the Bible men should not be the nere before Doomsday." And one Stephen Cowper said "Ye do naught to discomfort any man for looking upon the Bible." (2.) Chr. Baker confirms the preceding, and says further that, the said 8th Sept., Fuller said in the parish church of Tenterden, "Well, ye shall see another world shortly." Baker said "I would advise you to speak no more thereof, for if ye do it will be to your displeasure." Fuller replied "In faith, if I die I care not, for there will a thousand die more than I." (3. and 4.) Barth. Chapman and Stephen Cowper confirm Hope's deposition; Cowper says he rebuked Fuller, saying "The King's Grace hath set it out for every man to look upon." Fuller then denied his words, which denial Hope confirms.

Pp. 2. *Endd. Numbers not in original.*

1016. MONTAGUE PAPERS.

R. O.

Marriage between lord Montague, heir to the countess of Salisbury, and Jane, daughter and one of the heirs of lord Bergevenny. Lord Bergevenny desires lands, &c., to the yearly value of 200*l.*, for his daughter's jointure, a sum of 1,000 mks. to be paid at convenient days if he have no issue male, but if he have issue male he will pay a like sum to the countess of Salisbury.

P. 1. *Add.:* To master Lyester be this delivered.

* Musden and Caldon belonged to the abbey of Croxden, which surrendered on the 17th Sept. 1538. *See* Valor Eccl. III. 125.

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1016. Montague Papers—*cont.*

R. O. 2. Rental of Warblington, Ymmesworth, and Mylton made 8 Feb. 10 Henry VII. [A.D. 1495].

Taken before Wm. Cope, the King's cofferer, surveyor of Warblington manor, and twelve others named. Giving the names of the free tenants and tenants at will in each place with details of their holdings and the rents they pay.

Pp. 15. *With corrections adapting the account to a later date.*

3. Thomas* Denys to James Gifford.

R. O. Cousin, I hear from my Lady of Salisbury's tenants at Pyworthy, of which place I am steward, that your brother has appointed 10 persons to serve the King in his wars under lord Montague, your master. I think when you see them you will not like them, for most of them will not be allowed at the musters. I advise you therefore to look to the tenants of Stokeham and Yalmeton, where he has tall and active men as any within Devon. This present Sunday [A.D. 1523 ?].

Hol., p. 1. *Add. On the back a list of sums received* "toward the harness" *from persons at Yelhamton, Rolstoke, and Wonford.*

1017. Letters of Colyns.

1. J. Colinus to John Heliares.

R. O. Thanks him for having so great a desire for his letters. His love for Colyns does not exceed that of Colyns for him, whose letters are the writer's only defence against the evils of this pestilent age. "Sed jam videre est nihil aliud obstare [quo]minus . . . . . que morbo presens sit remedium, quia quod ne . . . . . nes, qui pharmacha aut perdunt . . . . . nt. Cessatorem Palmitem, me . . . . . potes, nec facis quidem. Sed mir[aris quod]. . . . [tacu]erit. Cæterum illum abund . . . . . possit ocyssime et summopere p . . . . . e certior, quo [p]acto faverit . . . . . Hugoni.† Thes xvj wekes I nev[er] . . . . . Byssam, but have waytyd a . . . . . [s]he was browte a bedd the . . . . . boy. Syt that tyme my . . . . . [th]ankes be to God, he ys . . . . . the ymbrynge dayes, ... yre, to the maryage off my . . . . . [si]ster, who schal marye, my . . . . . yonge gentyl be mery, bu . . . . . s and hawkers. Fro Byssam . . . . . ber. Tuus J. Colenus."

"I came yet afterward to both your benefices‡ and to my master, Sir Geffrey§, to common with him of the sending forth of Pynynge; and as touching the estate of your benefice. You shall [be ce]rtyfyed by him. But as for your benefice of Est Meon, [i]ff you have made no former gra[nt I wo]ld [des]ire you to be good in that beha[lf that] . . . . . Agnes your sister ch . . . . . mowthe have it paying . . . . . wyl you schal have . . . . . .substantial suretys . . . . . me to write for the . . . . . and loving continual . . . . . . he toke with her moder and . . . . . er, within sche schowyd . . . . . as ever dyd d . . . . . te sche is nott . . . . . le vyllage off . . . . . matyon and yugeme[nt] . . . . . myche more favor therin . . . . . owr promise herein (?) iff . . . . . I wold rekun it mete . . .

* Afterwards Sir Thomas.

† The English corresponding to the preceding passage in § 3 is as follows:—

"But we [must] see w[ell] enough that there is nothing that [le]tteth . . . . . which . . . . . of other remedy for his disease un . . . . . of the b . . . which do lose that medicine or . . . . . ge it too late. Thow complaynest that Palmes is slow; but I may [a]ccuse him thou canst nor durst [not] . . . . . [Thou marv]eillest that he hath kept silence . . . . . Pynnyng . . . . . he is about to send unto you . . . . . ill . . . . . tly excuse him ye shall know . . . . . t . . . . . le Mercurius hath been to thy . . . . . and to . . . . . th."

‡ Warblington and Meon. § Sir Geoffrey Pole.

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. . . . . yowr moder in her dedth . . . . . use of my said gossep a co . . . . . had in Waltam (?), but Roger your brother saith that you have sent him word that he schold in no case mell therwith. Wych I do thynke yow would nat do; for playnly I have and ever have had this opynyon of yow, that yow wyl nat brek yowr mothers wyl, and seyng sche wyllyd [s]o, before suffycyent record, if my gossep . . . . nat . . . . . next lawday appere ther l . . . . . sche [sh]old stand in [da]ngour . . . . . off this wryte yowr mynd. Sir tom . . . . . Lolyngton (?) prayit you nat to . . . . . nosti enim quam su . . . . . mundo, besides that . . . . . et coryares [a]s I cam . . . . . , ... [Lu]rtyngtoniæ.

Mutilated P.S. added.

Mutilated. Add.: Domino J[o]anni Heliari.

14 Feb. 2. John Colins to John Heliare.

R. O. " . . [s]extum diem Februarii eram Warblingtoniæ [apud dominam meam] Sarysburiensem illuc missus Bokmero a [domino meo, quia illa] illic et iste hic a festo Divæ [Ka]terin[æ] . . . . . [vi]sum est Superis (ut opinor) propter (?) pes [tem quæ nunc ce]ssáta est, istos superare quos simul metis a . . . . . at.† Conveni etiam et Joannem Turpilionem [et Hugonem] . . . egi apud utrumque sedulo de . . . . in dominum Galfredum‡ conjecerunt . . . . . hunc conveni Bokmero. Ibi po . . . . . um et variis de rebus cum . . . . . [Pin]ningo§ mentionem is illico . . . . . autor, se brevi illum . . . . Porro ego, quum per alios . . . . . maxime silere nolui quid . . . . . non multa sunt que scribam . . . . . she mowt see yow here in our con . . . . . kepynge off yowr cure and al other . . . . . is dede, and hys lands fallen in . . . . . schyre to dwell, he hathe promise[d] to . . . . . he lyvyt. Mythynkis he swmwat myndy . . . . . I cannot tell redyly, but suche a thyng . . . . . yowr pleasure and mynde knowen, I wil do what I . . . . . Bokmero, decimo sexto Kalendas Martias. Mr. Ne[vill? hath sen]t for certain bokes off the Hebrew that he wold have. Pyny[ng] . . . . Mychaelmas, but I thinke now yt be lost. Tuus Joannes Colinu[s]."

P. 1. *Mutilated. Add.*

R. O. 3. Translations of the Latin passages in the two preceding letters.

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4. John Colyns to Thos. Harryson, curate of Warblington.

R. O. " * * with all my heart I commend . . . . . ge you for your kindness and . . , ... nge but I will see you contenty[d] , ... this last week with my ho . . . . . owt according to his . . . . . and help her thereof and . . . . . , l amended of the . . . . . el showed me moreover . . . . . to Brabant to Mr. He [liar?], ... him deliver this letter con . . . . . owr acquayntawns (?) and . . . . . care well which I think . . . . . lit I pray you that she t , , ... my sheets till my coming . . . . . , and occupied. A Byssame . . . . . Tuus Joannes Colinus.

Hol. Add. Both edges lost by mutilation.

ii. On the back in another hand are memoranda of payments, 3 mutilated and 2 complete, *i.e.*, " paid to Mr. Coke for your proxies at Sowdweke, 4*d.* To Coke for making of writing for the Convocation, 4*d.*

† The translation in § 3 reads: "I think it hath pleased God because of the pestilence that hath been in Bisham, that those which should daily dwell together should be so separate."

‡ Sir Geoffrey Pole.

§ The translation in § 3 reads: "I was in hand with him to send Pynnyng."

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1018. G. CROFTES to ——.

R. O. I recommend me unto your mastership, and according to your order I have caused Harre Wetnang "to come unto you." Asks favour for him as he has been illtreated (?). Begs to be excused for not coming also, for his wife has been ill for a fortnight. "My lady, your wife" desired to give Croft's child christendom. Asks him to consent to this that his friends in the country may see that nobles will do so much for their servants.

Hol., p. 1.

9 Dec. **1019.** LOPE DE SORIA to CHARLES V.

Add. 28590, f. 286. B. M. Reported the contents of the Emperor's letter of the 12 Nov. to the Republic, which rejoiced to hear them. Their resident ambassador, who is doing good service, wrote to the same effect. Forwarded the Emperor's letter to prince Doria. The republic is sending thither (*i.e.* to the Emperor) Valerio Ursino to report the news of the fleets. They complain of the Prince as overbearing, and for not having delivered up Castilnovo; at the Pope's determination about Camarino, in which he had promised to do nothing against the late duke of Urbino during the enterprise. His answers to these complaints.

Spanish, pp. 7. *Modern copy from Simancas. Headed*: Lo que escribe Don Lope de Soria, ix. de Diciembre, 1538.

10 Dec. **1020.** LANDS OF SEMPRINGHAM.

R. O. Lease by the Court of Augmentations to Ed[ward] lord Clynton, of the rectories of Sempryngham with the chapel Poynton, of Stowe with the chapel of Byrthorpe, of Belyngborough and Walcott, Linc., which belonged to the late priory of Sempringham, for 21 years, at 30*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.* per annum, *i.e.*, for Sempryngham and Poynton 6*l.* 18*d.* (should be 6*l.* 18*s.*), for Stowe and Byrthorpe 4*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, for Byllyngborough [6*l.*] 13*s.* 4*d.*, and for Walcott, 12*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*. Westm., 10 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Parchment Mutilated.

1021. RIC. BISHOP OF DOVER* to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. iii. 156. Since he was last with him, has received to the King's use the Black Friars in Dunstable, the Grey in Ware, Babwell, and Walsingham, the Black and White in Norwich, the Black, White, and Grey in Yarmouth, the Austin in Gorleston, the Black and Grey in Dunwich, the Austin in Orforde, the Black and White in Ipswich, the Austin in Clare, the Grey in Colchester, the White in Maldon, and the Black in Chelmsford. Most of the substance was sold, stolen or pledged before his coming, and little left either in plate, lead or implements, yet he has so ordered that both plate and lead has come to light. Has since put out the friars of Langley, taken an inventory of the house and had it appraised. Has brought the plate to the King's use. Asks that he may have the house at Langley, with the profits during his life. Cromwell has been his singular helper for 12 years. Hears that one of the King's chamber is labouring for the house. Is advised to tarry and follow his suit, but if he has Cromwell's favour, will go into Kent and Sussex to receive those houses to the King's use before Christmas. They have written that unless he comes before Christmas, they must sell the tile and lead, for they have nothing else. Some have done so already. If there are any other houses to discharge, will do it after Christmas, and not return till they are all

* The signature is misread by Ellis "Richard Devereux." The same error appears in the contemporary endorsement.

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done. Begs to have some comfort for his house before he departs after Christmas, and that none may meddle but himself. If he knows Cromwell's pleasure all the lead shall be in slabs in Christmas time. It will be very meet for the More, for he hears they are carrying lead thither twice as far. Desires an answer that he may depart into Kent, for Christmas is near. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Ric. Deveryux.

1022. [The Black Friars], King's Langley.

R. O. Account of the value of the house of King's Langley of the King's foundation, which Ric. bp. suffragan of Dover desires to have for term of life.

The King gave them a mansion with closes, &c., Cheperfylde Wood, a meadow in the park, water, and a weir, and Holme park, otherwise called the Frere's Wode, and the parsonage [of King's Langley].

They have the parsonages of Gaddysden and Wyllay, lands at Preston, Elmeryston, Overland, Vestegate in Tenet, Kyngesham, Vattelyng, Pacmaston, Godmaston, Walderyslade, Byruper, and Heryngsham, Kent, yearly value, 130*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

Payments, to a bedehouse in Toteyngton, the bishop,* the vicar of Langley, the high steward, understeward and bailiff, 18*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

The house before had obits for Sir John Cheney, 5*l.* a year, and Sir Raffe Verney, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Many of those who belonged to the house are very old and poor, and desire some relief during their lives. *Signed:* Thomas Crumwell.

Vellum roll.

1023. Lead of Friars' Houses.

R. O. Account of lead "collecte by the visitor" in Norwich, Yarmouth, Dunwich, Orford and Malden. Total 48 fodder 3 qrs. "All this lyeth near the water meet to be carried to London or to any other place." All lead that lay safe on churches lies still unmolten "but only such as lay in despair and part was gone of it, such is in slabs and marked with a crown for the King and indentures of the same made.".

P. 1. *Endd.*

[10 Dec.] **1024.** The Charter House.†

R. O. "These be the names of the monks of the Charterhouse by London to have their pensions," viz., Will. Trafford, prior, 20*l.*; and Edmond Skerne (Sterne?), vicar; Will. Wayte, proctor; Thos. Barnyngham, John Enys, Ric. Tragose, Thos. Baker, Edw. (Everard?) Digbie, John Bardeyn, John Foxe, Will. Broke, Barth. Burgon, John Thomson, John Bulleyn, Oliver Batemanson, John Nycholson, and Maurice Chauncie, 5*l.* each. *Signed:* Thomas Crumwell.

P. 1. *Endd.:* The pensions of the Charterhouse.

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* The bishop of Lincoln, in whose diocese King's Langley was.

† The date when the monks were finally driven out of the Charter House is said to have been 15 Nov. 1538. *See* Doreau's Introduction to Chauncy's *Historia*, p. xxi, note 1. It would certainly appear to have been before the 24th Nov. *See* No. 903. But these pensions were assigned to them only on the 10 December. *See* "Pensions in 30 Hen. VIII." which will appear in next volume.

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10 Dec. **1025.** John Williams and Dr. John London to Sir Ric. Riche.

R. O. On taking surrender of the Crossed Friars of Donyngton, assigned to the minister, an extreme aged man, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* pension, and to Ric. Ungill, priest and brother there, 4*l.* pension. Beg him to ratify this as the house is worth 20*l.* a year and is out of debt. Newbery, 10 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Chancellor of Augmentations.

R. O. 2. List of pensions assigned to the minister and one of his brothers of the Crossed Friars of Donyngton, *i.e.*, to Henry Weete, minister, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and to Ric. Ungill, priest, 4*l.* Dated at head, 10 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed:* Rychard Ryche.

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10 Dec. **1026.** Lord Lisle to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Received her letter on the 9th. Will be glad of her coming. Wishes to know when he shall send over Lam with his ship. Her daughter Phylype is well, "and Frances at your coming home woll make fele one pess of myne and another pess of yours." Calais, 10 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

10 Dec. **1027.** The Irish Council.

R. O. Memorial of the consultations of the Council at Dublin, 10 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII., upon the lord Privy Seal's letters and otherwise, to be expressed to the lord Deputy by the lord Chancellor.

That if he have any grudge against any of the Council he will at the King's pleasure remit it, and they on their part will exert themselves to further the King's causes. To excuse our negligence of the consumption of artillery and express the necessity of it in our next letters. A consultation with him upon affairs necessary, and as this article rests upon "some certificate made by my lord Deputy," his opinion should be first heard, and then the particulars of his journey in Munster and elsewhere, that they may consult upon the compositions he has made with Irishmen. As to the setting forth of the Gospel, abolishing the bp. of Rome's power, &c., Irishmen should be bound to it, and all the bishops under the King's obeisance should be sent for against the first day of next term. As to Limerick, discretion should be used, as the inhabitants cannot live without trading with the King's enemies. If young Gerald have left the country he cannot be apprehended; but the Deputy should have no hope in any Geraldine, and should practise to weaken them. To remind the Deputy of the book delivered him by the Council at the Commissioners' being here, in which are things not yet redressed. The Deputy and Treasurer to deliver to the Council books of their men's names, and despatch those that are out of wages as they oppress the King's subjects. *Signed:* John Alen, K's Chauncellor—Gerald Aylmer—Georgius Dublin'—Richard Delahid, baron—Edw. Miden'—Sir John Whyt k.—J. Rawson, prior of Kyllmaynam—Thomas Lutrell, justice—W. Brabazon.

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11 Dec. **1028.** Sir Thomas Jermyn's Natives.

Add Ch. 14,705 B. M. Manumission by Sir Thos. Jermyn to John, son of Wm. Rolff of Tompson, Norf., and Lucy the wife of John Leche of Tompson, daughter of the said John Rolff, the said John Rolff, and the said John and Lucy being natives of the manor of Hokham Magna. 11 Dec. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed.*

Parchment. Seal gone.

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11 Dec. **1029.** ELLERTON PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 631.

Surrender (by prior and convent) of the priory and all its possessions in co. York and elsewhere in England, Wales, Ireland, and the marches thereof. 11 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* John Goldyng prior *and four priests.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 20.]

Seal much broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll. p. 5 No.* 78.] without mem. of acknowledgment.

11 Dec. **1030.** SIR R. CARNABY to the PRESIDENT of the COUNCIL in the NORTH.

R. O.

I wrote last that John Stocoll, Tynedale man, in Warkworth gaol, was in jeopardy of his life: he is now dead. There remain at Morpeth five of the pledges of Tyndale for each of whom I have paid 2*s.* a week board; wherein I beg to know the King's pleasure, and that I may have a house built in Tynedale for me to lie at, for without a house of strength the inhabitants cannot be held in such obedience as they ought to be, seeing that the Liddisdale men are "at such point as they be at, making no raids." It is well known that with no small labour I found means honestly to take divers persons of Tynedale who refused to lay pledges; amongst whom was lately in Hexham gaol Jerry Charlton *alias* Topping, and other thieves taken of late, *i. e.*, Clement Armstrong, two of the Dodds and a man, name unknown, taken by my servants, to whom he said he was a priest and had fled from Chichester towards Scotland. He was by all likelihood a false harlot. On Monday night, 9 Dec.. certain persons of Liddisdale, names and number yet unknown, probably with the counsel of Tynedale men, together with the English outlaws, the Charltons and their fellows, secretly took the watchmen, broke the prison and without any escry or affray took the above persons out of Hexham gaol into Scotland, "which would have been reckoned no small offence if any Englishman had done the like." The attemptates of Liddesdale will impoverish these parts unless redress be had, and a house built for the keeper of Tynedale to lie at, and men furnished for the same. The escape of these men who were able to stay a great part of the country was through no fault of the writer, for he has not been at Hexham since the plague was there and did not purpose to go there till Christmas. Sends up Lewes Ogle, bailiff of Hexham. Carlisle, 11 Dec.

Copy in Carnaby's hand and signed by him, pp. 2. *Headed:* Copy. To my lord President of the King's Council in the North.

R. O.

2. Names of the constables and watchmen at Hexham 10 Dec. a° 30, *i.e.*, in Hencotts, Market Place, Prest Pople, and Gely Gate wards, (24 names, after four of which the word "taken" is written.) Those in the first saw John Shawe give a candle to Gery of Wark after midnight, and those in the third were told by Shawe to go and speak with the bailiff. "Wm. Clark dwelt in the town, and that night, because his demeanour was not to me known, I send him also with the rest." *Signed:* R. Carnaby.

In Carnaby's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

12 Dec. **1031.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

On sight of your letters in favour of one Deane, clk., for the "adheptyng" of the benefice of Frodysham, I wrote to my chancellor to certify to your Lordship the truth of his doing there, as may appear by his letters hereinclosed. I marvel Deane doth trouble you therewith, seeing he has both me and the incumbent in suit in a *quare impedit* in Chester. They will shortly be at an issue for the trial of their titles by the law, "as my commissary can by it my chancellor's said letters do specify I had nothing to do with the matter and my office is past," or else I would be at your command, as my cousin, Dr. Legh, can inform you. Scroisbury, 12 Dec.

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12 Dec. **1032.** Council of Ireland to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. III. 108.

Received his letters to the Deputy and Council by Walter Cowley on the 1st inst. Their meeting with the Deputy deferred because lord Butler and his father, whom these letters concern, cannot be here till after Christmas. Are at no variance among themselves and will give the Deputy no private cause of complaint (however he handle us) unless by plain speaking in the King's affairs. Otherwise have no dealings with him. Entertainment of the Kavanaghes.

Report says young Gerald and that rabble of traitors have crossed to Scotland. Examined James Bathe, one of the Deputy's council, who says that about 20 days past, prior Walsche, being in Ulster, wrote to the Deputy that young Gerald would sail over sea within four days.

Cromwell is misinformed about Limerick, which is a great succour to the Deputy in wars with the Desmonds, the Brenes, and the Burkes. Doubtless the information comes from Sexton's misrepresenting things to the Deputy in the last journey in Munster. Will write further after their meeting, which cannot be till after Christmas, as the pretended earl of Desmond raises war, and lord Butler must remain to stay him. Wrote their advice 28th of last month. Dublin, 12 Dec. *Signed:* John Alen, K.'s chauncelor —Georgius Dublin'—Edw. Miden'—J. Rawson, prior of Kyllmaynham—W. Brabazon—Gerald Aylmer, justice—Richard Delahid, baron—Sir John Whyt, k.—Thomas Lutrell, justice.

12 Dec. **1033.** Edmund Boner to Lord Lisle.

R. O.

Thanks him for sending his letters to the lord Privy Seal, and will be glad to requite his kindness. Sends his lacquey again with letters to my lord Privy Seal. Hopes he is allowed for such charges: if not, will be glad to know it, and will make him proper allowance. News here is about marriages and tilting. The marriages are between Mons. de Nevers and the daughter of Madame Vendôme, two daughters of Mons. de Sennaye, *mâitre d'hotel* to the French King, the marquis of Saluce to Madame de Elye, sister to Madame d'Estampes, Mons. de Sidan to the daughter of Mons. le Grant Seneschal de Normandie, le prince de la Rochevereu to Madame de Vinre. The Dauphin and the duke of Orleans run every day at the tilt. The old tilt adjoining the Louvre that had fallen down is set up again. The tilt within the Tournelles is mended. The County Palatine and his wife left a fortnight since for Spain, and will spend Christmas with the Emperor. My lacquey told me that your wife was in England when he was with you. Would have sent her a token, had she been at Calais. Begs his remembrances "to my good lord,* Treasurer, and all other my lords and masters with you, and amongst them all to the good Sir Thos. Palmer, knight porter, my old gentle acquaintance." Paris, 12 Dec.

P.S.—Wishes to know if his friend Mr. Wrisley is returned, or is likely to return shortly to England, and whether he is cured of his ague. Sends his good wishes both to him and to Mr. Vaughan and Dr. Kerne.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* My lord of Hardford elected, now ambassador resident with the French King.

12 Dec. **1034.** Thos. Theabold to Cromwell.

Nero B. VI. 128. B. M.

Will come to England as he hears from his brother-in-law that Cromwell desires it, though as he has been sick, crossing the Mountains will be dangerous. Would gladly have tarried a year longer in these parts. Will leave so that no one in these parts shall know he comes to England.

* There is a comma in the MS. between "lord" and "Treasurer," which makes it difficult to say precisely what person or persons are meant. The only "Treasurer" commonly spoken of at Calais was the Vice-Treasurer Fowler.

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Has persuaded his familiars that he is going to Colleyn to agree with Wm. Warham, sometime archdeacon of Canterbury, for the permutation of a prebend. This was chiefly to escape the suspicions of friar Peto, who has showed him much of his secrets. Unless he has a contrary commandment in two or three days, will start for England. If Cromwell changes his mind, asks him to tell his brother to meet him at Colleyn or Antwerp. If Cromwell wishes, will gladly return here again, or tarry in Germany in any city Imperial, or in Saxony or Hesse in the way of study. Has some knowledge of the language, great acquaintance and good credit. Hears from a gentleman who comes hither to study from Almayn, that Ludvoyke Palsgrave and Elector is greatly inclined to embrace the Gospel, and Luther has sent two preachers to help reform his Church there. Is not sure of the truth of the report, but can easily believe it, for his acts have always declared that he secretly favoured the truth. When at Heidelberg could not find out that he cruelly handled any one for the Gospel, but suffered every one to speak liberally thereof, to read all manner of books, and preachers to teach sincerely, and also allowed the Pope's laws and ceremonies to be observed privately, but not openly, so that on Fridays and Saturdays and in Lent every one that would ate flesh in his private house. He did not suppress friars and monks, but ordered them with such governors to see that they had no superfluity, and so the number has begun to decrease. Is sure that the abbeys furnished him with corn and wine for his household at least. The cause why he would not take away by his public authority the impious laws of the tyrant of Rome was partly because two of his brethren are bishops,* and partly to gratify the Emperor. Now that the Emperor is suddenly and secretly agreed with the French king, and both in great amity with the tyrant of Rome, thinks that the Palsgrave and other princes of the Empire suspect them. Believes the Palsgrave would always rather have had the Emperor his small friend afar off in Spain than his great friend near hand, for from puissant neighbours there is more fear and danger than love or security. He resisted the Emperor as much as he could at the parliament of Augsburg, when he adjudged the duchy of Wirtemberg from the true heirs to his brother Ferdinand, and the old Duke would never have been restored so easily but for his favour, for all the Landgrave's ordnance and most of his army passed through his country. If he does receive the Gospel and join the Evangelics, the bishops will despair to prevail against them. If any war was made against them by the Emperor and French king, by the practices of the Pope and bishops, the first thing would be to subdue the bishoprics, which would be easily done, for their subjects desire nothing better than to receive the truth and be delivered from their intolerable servitude. The French king would gladly have an occasion to displease many evangelical princes and cities, but no one sooner than the Palsgrave, except the duke of Saxony, for their unkindness shown him in this last war for Milan. Does not think they will have favourable remembrance of the Emperor if these new leagues are an occasion for more profit. Letters have come from Ferdinand's court and other places in Germany that 30,000 lanceknights are to be raised by the Emperor's order for the expedition against the Turk. Supposes Cromwell has heard of the sumptuous reception of the Emperor's bastard daughter at Rome, and the contract of marriage between her and the Pope's nephew, Mons. de Alovyse (Pier Luigi's) son. He is not past thirteen years old, and the Emperor requires to have him in his court for three years. A doctor of Almain who comes from Rome says he heard that the Pope gives the Emperor for this marriage 200,000 ducats in money, a

* Henry bishop of Wormes and John bishop of Ratisbon. Another brother George, who was bishop of Spires, died in 1529. Anderson's Genealogies, p. 506.

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cardinal's hat to sell to what bishop he will in Spain, and a licence to sell all manner of benefices in Spain, similar to what he has granted to the French king. He must also buy of the Emperor a certain duchy in Naples for his nephew, in which the lady's dowry must be. "This is a profitable bastard for the Em[peror]." By her also he had the duchy of Florence, and is like to have Bononye and the countye [of Came]ryne, for which he makes war upon the young duke of Urbino. The Pope has 10,000 soldiers ready to attack him. It is said the dukes of Mantua and Ferrara will help the duke of Urbino with 6,000 men. The Venetians have interceded with the Pope in the matter. Cromwell can think what likelihood there is of a General Council.

Heard lately that Barbarossa was in great danger from tempest and 25 galleys destroyed, but now that it is only three or four. It is thought he is going to Levaund or Constantinople to repair. Thinks the Christian fleet is afraid of their enemies, and not without cause; for Barbarossa is of such experience and valiance in the sea, that no man can lightly pass him, and his ordnance and provision are superior to the Christians'. The Venetians and others have murmured greatly at Andreas Dorias and the Pope. They are so impoverished by the war that they thought seriously of peace with the Turk. The Emperor has sent letters, dated 24 Nov., to the Venetian senate, that he is coming towards Missena with his army in January, and asking whether they will join him, which they answered they would do. They are preparing 40 new galleys by Christmas. Their navy winters at Corfu. Dorias is at Brundusinum, and his ships are at a small isle by Sicily. The Pope's army is retired to Ancona, to strengthen his army against the duke of Urbino. He is so studious of the defence of Christendom that he has recalled his army for his private profit, and left the Turk to invade Christendom. Friar Peyto has returned to Padwaye, and will stay there this winter. He has lately received two letters from Myhel Frognorton from Rome, the first only of private matters, and that his master was sorry and angry with the General* for letting his journey in coming to Rome, when he was appointed, wherefore he had written a letter to him to give him a licence to go whenever his master, Mr. Pole, should send for him. In his second letter he says his master took the four minor orders from cardinal Contarenus on Nov. 21 and on Nov. 22 the order of sub-deacon, and shortly intends to proceed further; and also that he would spend the winter at Tevole (Tivoli), seven miles from Rome. They cannot have heard of the prisoners and offenders in the Tower.† Peito expects an answer to a letter he wrote 14 days ago about the Council. Pole has sent for the books he left here. The Germans here are assured that the business between the Margrave of Brandenburg and the city of Nuremberg is compounded. The city had already spent 40,000 fl. in provision for this war, and the Margrave little less. Padwaye, 12 Dec.

The Emperor wrote also to the Venetians that he would bring 4,000,000 of gold.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

13 Dec. **1035.** W. Earl of Southampton to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I am very glad you take in so good part the advice I gave you in my last. My exhortations to be true and serve God and the King was meant only as your friend. From the Court, 13 Dec. *Signed.*

I thank you for your servant John Dolingcourt.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Deputy of Calais.

* Francis Quiñones, Card. St. Cross, General of the Franciscan Friars.
† Montague, Exeter and the others.

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13 Dec. **1036.** LATIMER to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. iv. 264. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 148.

Thanks him for his goodness to Mr. Lucy and Mr. Acton. Your Lordship has promoted many more honest men since God promoted you than many of like authority have done before you. Intercedes for the prior of Great Malvern, in his diocese, though not of it, that his house may not be suppressed, but turned to good purpose, not in "monkrye," but for teaching, preaching, study, &c., with good housekeeping, for he has always been much given to hospitality, for which he is much commended in these parts. He could make friends to give the King 500 marks and Cromwell 200 for this purpose. He is old and feedeth many daily, for the country is poor. "Alas! my good Lord, shall not we see two or three in each shire changed to such remedy?" Sir Will. Kingston can report of the man further. "Blessed be God of England that worketh all, whose instrument you be! I heard you say once after you had seen that furious invective of cardinal Pole that you would make him to eat his own heart, which you have now, [I trow], brought to pass, for he must [needs] now eat his own heart, and be[as] heartless as he is graceless." Hartl[ebury], 13 Dec.

Hol., pp. 7. *The last leaf slightly mutilated. Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Dec. **1037.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

One ——* remaineth in ward with this Council, for that, when the King's injunctions were declared in his parish, he repined against them, speaking the words shown in the enclosed evidence. The matter touches you as the King's vicar-general. The speaking of Thomas Beckett was the occasion. He is but a simple person, and should be set, certain market days, upon the pillory. I beg you remember me for St. Thomas.† I thank you for Wm. Waghan of Talga[rthe]; show him your loving words, for the man is to be cherished. I desire your favour to Richard Lee of the Cellar for the farm of Hagmond. Scroys[bury], 13 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

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2. Informations exhibited to the Commissioners in the Marches of Wales on behalf of William Bulkeley, deputy sheriff of Carnarvonshire, against Richard Hale, of the parish of Llangeveny, Anglesea.

On Sunday before All Saints, Sir Reynold Gruf, priest, by command of his ordinary, was declaring the King's injunctions in the parish church of Llangeveny, when the defendant Rich. Hale said openly "they were sinister injunctions, and that they were clear gone out of the faith." It may please your Lordships to command Meredith ap Thomas, deputy sheriff of Anglesea, and Rothergh ap D'd, escheator there, to commit the said defendant to ward in the castle of Conwey till the justice of North Wales shall come to these parts, and to take depositions of witnesses.

P. 1. *Endorsed by Bishop Roland Lee:* Apud Salop, 11° die Nov. A° xxx° H. VIII. A letter to Sir Richard Bulkeley, chamberlain of North Wales, commanding him to send the defendant within named to this Council the 18th of this November, and to put the informer under surety of appearance on that day. *Signed:* Roland Co. et Lich.

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3. Depositions taken before Sir Richard Bulkeley, chamberlain of North Wales, and Meredith ap Thomas, deputy sheriff of Anglesea, against Richard Hale, of Anglesea, 4 December, 30 Hen. VIII.

Sir Rinald ap Gruff, priest, deposeth that on the Sunday before All Saints last, after he had published the King's injunctions in the church of Llangeveny, Anglesea, he heard a voice say the injunctions were sinister and clear gone

* Blank. † St. Thomas' priory, Stafford.

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out of the faith. After mass he enquired who spake thus, and Thos. ap Ll'n and others said it was Ric. Hale.

Thos. ap Ll'n ap Jevan ap Grono, William ap Hoel ap Grono, Thomas ap Jevan ap Hoell, and John ap Kener ap Ll'n, say the same.

David ap Hoell ap D'd., was talking with a certain person when he heard John ap Kerner, clerk of the church, tell Ric. Hale to hold his tongue.

Ages of witnesses given.

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13 Dec. **1038.** Thomas Barton to Cromwell.

R. O. About Candlemas last I married a gentlewoman who had been divorced from Sir Henry Everyngham, one of the daughters and heirs of Thomas Lynley, of Lynley. The decree of divorce was given under the abp. of York's seal, but immediately after I married her the abp. called the matter again before him and would have revoked his decree. Since then the case has been depending in his court till of late your Lordship called it before you. I beg to know what I am to do. I have had little profit by her, for Sir Henry withholds her feoffment from her and 500 marks which her father paid to his father. I beg your Lordship will write in my favour to the lord President and the Council in these parts. Beverley, 13 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Dec. **1039.** Adrian Reuel to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I received your letters desiring me to come to you at St. Andrew's Day last past. It would have been impossible to me to do so by reason of the herring season and other affairs, but if I can do anything for you here I am at your service.

No news, except that the King is at Paris and we hope "*d'avoir bon temps.*" The captain of Dieppe sends his compliments to you and Madame. Dieppe, 13 Dec.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

13 Dec. **1040.** Thibault Rouault (Mons. de Riou) to Lord Lisle.

R. O. I am sued before the Admiral of France by Georges Leskault (?) and Joachim Kyt (?), who allege that they are Easterlings, about some ships and merchandise taken during the late war by certain mariners of Abbeville. I have occasion to examine an Englishman, who was in the ship at the taking of the goods, before one of the judges at London on the 27th inst., and, as I have no acquaintance in England, I beg you will lend me some lawyer of Calais who understands the language to appear with this bearer by virtue of the proxy which I send you, and that you will write in my favour to one of the judges. Abbeville, 13 Dec. *Signed.*

Fr. p. 1. *Add.*

1041. [Lord Lisle] to ———.

R. O. The bearer, servant to a French gentleman named Thibault Rohault sieur de Ryou, is going thither (to England) in consequence of an appointment with some Easterlings on the 27th inst. to be present at the taking of depositions by an Englishman, named Cognan de Milleton, touching certain articles enclosed. As the said De Ryou is one of my best friends, and one of those Frenchmen for whom I would do as much, I beg you, as he knows not the domicile of the said Englishman, to give him a commission

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from you upon the *commission requisitoire* of the French Admiral, to summon the said Englishman by sound of trumpet to the neighbouring town of London to appear before you, make inquiry according to his instructions, and certify proceedings in French or Latin under your seal and that of your assessor.

Draft, Fr., p. 1.

13 Dec. R. O. **1042.** J. DE NOUVELLE to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

Hunted yesterday, but only took a wild sow, of which he sends the Deputy the head (*la heure*). If he is more successful another time the Deputy shall have the better part. Tournehen, 13 Dec.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

13 Dec. Harl. MS., 604, f. 112. B.M. **1043.** MILES COVERDALE to CROMWELL.

I beg to know by my lord elect of Herdforde whether to proceed with the annotations of this bible. Pity it were that the dark places of the text should pass undeclared; and my said lord of Herdforde could examine the annotations before they are printed. As to the New Testaments in English and Latin, whereof I sent a book by your servant Sebastian the cook, there was no time to bind it as it should be. As my lord of Hardforde conveys thus much of the bible to your Lordship, I beg you to be the keeper thereof, and if "these men proceed in their cruelness against us and confiscate the rest, yet this at the least may be safe." Written somewhat hastily at Paris, 13 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

13 Dec. Spanish Calendar VI. i., No. 30. **1044.** NEGOCIATIONS IN FLANDERS.

Report by the Duke of Aarschot, the Sieur de Lickerke, and Dr. Loys Schore of their conferences with the English ambassadors, setting forth the demands of the English, apostyled by the Council of Flanders.

1. The English ambassadors said the King, on hearing of the answer made by the Queen's deputies, thought it strange that so much difficulty should now be raised about the delivery of Milan, the investiture of which the Emperor had been the first to offer for the Infant of Portugal on his marriage with Mary, and had renewed that offer at Barcelona after the interview at Aigues Mortes. *Margin:*—The Queen finds it no less strange that the English should think the Emperor capable of going back on his word. They themselves would never answer the overtures within the period fixed, and the situation is now changed.

2. The English also said the King was surprised that the Regent and her Council should not have been fully instructed of these overtures after the Emperor's declaration to the English ambassadors. *Margin:*—The Queen maintains that the Emperor's powers to her are quite sufficient, and she knows all about the negociations in England and Spain.

3. The King was also surprised at her refusal to give a copy of her powers. *Margin:*—It was unusual among princes to do so till the negociations were concluded.

4. They also said that the Imperial ambassadors in England had agreed to the marriage of Mary with the rank she held under the statutes. *Margin:*—The Queen cannot believe this; for Don Diego de Mendoza's report and the memoranda of the discussion with the King and privy councillors say nothing about it.

5. That the King had reason to suspect, from their coldness, that their object was only talk. *Margin:*—This is already answered in the last apostyle.

6. The ambassadors hinted that the Queen might write to the Emperor of what had already passed, and pending his answer the negociations for the

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King's marriage with the duchess of Milan might be proceeded with. *Margin:*—No reply was made to this, as the preceding notes were sufficient.

7. The ambassadors ended by saying they were expressly charged to go no further until an answer came and an agreement was come to on the two following points:—(1.) As the Queen cannot appoint another person in her place, let her give the English letters under her signature and seal detailing and explaining the overtures once made by the Emperor about Milan and the offers of matrimonial alliance and confederacy. This of course on the understanding that she first request power to substitute another person or persons to treat and promise to agree to the decision of the King's ambassadors and her own commissioners. (2.) That it is due to the honour of the King their master that it should be declared at once whether there is any desire to proceed sincerely. *Margin:*—(1.) As the Queen has no power to appoint a substitute, and it is not customary for ladies to attend such meetings, she has given her deputies a commission to treat in her name, and when the negociations have reached an end she intends to ratify whatever is agreed on. The letters demanded by the English would be a useless innovation, and insistance on such a demand would arouse suspicion that the object was delay. (2.) Equal consideration is due to the Emperor s honour.

The Queen's deputies have also declared that the Emperor and the Queen desire to proceed sincerely, provided the other side do so; that she has every wish to preserve the English alliance, and that the Emperor does not intend one marriage to be effected without the other. The English, however, still insisted on having the above letter from the Queen, and showed instructions to demand it. On which the Queen, being informed, made answer as follows, viz., that she was much astonished at their demanding the obligatory letter in question, and requiring her to approve beforehand negotiations not yet begun; that they ought to be satisfied with the Emperor's powers sent to her, which his Majesty would not abuse; that the Emperor was so generous in his dealings with other princes that there ought to be no fear; but, if the English ambassadors insisted on it, she could only write to the Emperor to ask what his will was, though she has no hesitation in saying that he has as much desire as ever to preserve the old alliance with England. The ambassadors replied that they were surprised at the refusal of the King's request after he had sent ambassadors to her to treat of affairs rather for the profit of the Low Countries than of his own kingdom. The King is not a prince to seek his own profit in negociations, and it was not fair that while the ambassadors came to Brussels with full powers, they should begin treating with the Regent's deputies, who had no powers at all, and were, besides, more advantageously placed, because if the English admitted anything to the prejudice of their master it would be snatched at at once, whereas anything favourable to the King would have to be referred home for fuller powers. Being instructed therefore to proceed no further, unless they could complete the negociation, they declared the conference at an end. The deputies replied that they could do no more. The English then said that, although they were positively instructed to ask for a copy of the Queen's mandate to her deputies and her own engagement to ratify what should be concluded, they would take on themselves the responsibility to be satisfied with a copy of the instructions which the Queen herself had given to her deputies. This the deputies refused, on the plea that they could not do it without express orders. The ambassadors suggested that they might at least be furnished with an attested copy signed by one of the Queen's secretaries, without which they could not possibly proceed further, except with the Queen herself. This the deputies offered to refer to the Queen, but said it was a very hard thing for her to take part in such discussions. The Queen, in reply, ordered them to declare to the ambassadors that they should be satisfied with her

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having deputed trusty persons to treat with them without insisting on having the document in their hands, and referred to a precedent when she herself was in France on matters relating to the execution of the truce at Nice; yet, if they wished to communicate with her personally she would do so, for the honour of the king of England.

This answer was communicated to the English by the deputies on the 11th Dec., but they refused to have any communication till they had first cognizance of the document. They would be glad to attend the Queen whenever she pleased to send for them, for they had been sent expresely to hear from her own lips what she had to say, and though they themselves, at the request of the deputies, had put forward certain conditions for the Infant's marriage, no answer had been returned, and the matter had been referred to the Emperor. Explained their reasons, and contradicted the ambassadors when they alleged that the Emperor, at Barcelona, had positively agreed to give Milan to Don Loys. The ambassadors then proposed to treat first the marriage of their master with the duchess of Milan, leaving the difficulty about that of Mary with the Infant; but the deputies said the Regent was only empowered to treat of the two marriages conjointly. The ambassadors then proposed to treat of a closer alliance, which the deputies agreed to, and informed the Queen, who, they said, would let them know the day and the hour she could receive them.

On the 13th Dec. the ambassadors appeared before the Queen Regent, and said they were compelled to communicate with her personally, and, as they had received no answer to the conditions proposed for the marriage of the Infant with lady Mary, they would be content to treat exclusively of a closer alliance. The Queen said she would be glad to treat with them when convenient, if they would declare the whole of their commission at once. As to their having received no answer to the conditions proposed by them, they must have heard the reply of her deputies, which she needed not to repeat, nor did she see any occasion now for treating of a closer alliance, as the old alliances could not be improved upon, but, if the King wished to make them more binding, he would find the Emperor and herself fully inclined to respond, &c. On this the ambassadors thanked her, saying they thought the King would be satisfied with her answer, but requesting her to inform the Emperor of it.

French, from a MS. at Vienna.

1045. Queen Mary of Hungary to [Charles V.]

Spanish Calendar VI. 1. No. 32.

Points of the treaty with England respecting which the queen of Hungary would like to receive instructions.

Whereas the English ambassadors, after various conferences with the Queen's deputies, in order to remove difficulties about the marriage of Dom Loys of Portugal, have proposed to treat first of a closer alliance between the Emperor and the King, and to know from the Qneen what are the conditions for the said alliance, which, they said, had been first proposed by the Emperor's ministers, the Queen has replied that the old friendship between the two princes was so perfect that it could not be strengthened except through marriages such as the Emperor himself had brought forward, but if the King desired that she should declare the Emperor's conditions for such a treaty she was ready to reply to their questions. The English ambassadors then said that they would report to their master and requested the Queen to inform the Emperor. It is therefore requested that she be instructed what to do in the event of the King commanding his ambassadors to go on with the negociation for both marriages as well as for a closer alliance. Should the ambassadors entirely waive or put aside the point of Milan, and the other two conditions proposed for Mary's marriage to the Infant, (viz., 1, that he must take her in her present rank, as defined by law, the Infant himself swearing to such law;

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1045. Queen Mary of Hungary to [Charles V.]—*cont.*

and, 2, that they must know first what property the Infant is to bring in marriage), how is the Queen to answer? For, most likely, if the ambassadors desist from the two above-mentioned conditions, they will the more press the Queen to declare what personal property the Infant has and what are his own conditions as to dower, on the ground that the marriage was proposed first in the Emperor's name and that the man should speak first. If they insist upon this point, the Queen will not know what to reply unless the Emperor send her full instructions. Further, what is the Queen to answer if the ambassadors persist in treating of their master's marriage with the duchess of Milan, and the King show himself willing to accept it with a reasonable dowry? Is she to grant at once, or to refuse? And, if the latter, on what ground? And how is she to discuss the papal dispensation, without which the Emperor would not agree to it, while the King would never apply for it? She desires also to know whether one of the marriages may be treated separately and what she should do, if the English persist in their demand for closer alliance otherwise. Should she demand assistance against the Turk? And if the King propose an offensive league, what is she to answer? If the King would be satisfied with a declaration on the Emperor's part, that his friendship would be preferred to that of any other prince as he has done in his treaties with France, how is the request to be met? If one of the conditions put forward by the King be a ratification of the commercial treaty of 1520, or that of 1516, both of which are injurious to the Low Countries, what is she to do?

French, from a MS. at Vienna. The original is endorsed: Articles on English affairs, on which the Queen begs for a speedy answer.

1046. England and the Low Countries.

Spanish Calendar, VI. 1., No. 24.

Advice given to the Emperor touching a treaty of closer alliance to be concluded with England, suggesting how to get the commercial treaty of A.D. 1506 annulled, or at least to avoid any renewal of it; also to protect the rights of the Emperor's subjects in the Low Countries in case of a cession by the Countess Palatine to Henry VIII. of her rights in Denmark and Norway, and to bind Henry, if he should obtain possession of those kingdoms, to protect the passage to and from them, and to keep the sea clear of pirates. It might also be stipulated that if he have more than one son, the second shall occupy the throne of Denmark and Norway, lest the union of all three kingdoms be dangerous to the Low Countries, &c.

French, from a MS. at Vienna.

13 Dec. **1047.** Edmond Harvel to Cromwell.

Nero B. VII. 121. B. M.

Wrote last on the 30th ult. Barbarossa is returned to Previsa to repair his galleys and fusts, for he has suffered great storms and lost 15 or 20 vessels. Andrea Doria has reached Brindisi. The Venetian navy is in Sclavonia, and Castel Novo is kept by 4,000 Imperials. There have been many secret Councils of late, and men think this State will make peace with the Turk. The Emperor's coming to Italy with a great power may make them continue the war; but they are both barren of treasure and loath to make the Emperor lord of all. The Bp. of Rome is bent on war against the young duke of Urbin, who is both strong and will be secretly assisted by Ferrara, Mantua, and this State. Men hate to see the Bishop turn his arms from the Turk against Christians and in his old age disturb the tranquillity of Italy. He will make 10 cardinals, not for money, but to renounce their offices, which comes to the same thing, for the offices are sold. And so they go on abusing the world; but God will at length strike their iniquities. Venice, 13 Dec., 1538.

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P.S.—Letters of the 24th are just come from Spain. The Emperor has written to the Bishop to forbear from war against Urbin, as he will settle matters on coming to Naples. The peace between the Emperor and French king will be concluded and the French shall have Milan in 18 months, not three years, as before reported.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.: Endd.*

13 Dec. **1048.** CASTLENAU, Bishop of Tarbes, to MONTMORENCY.

Ribier I., 291. Touching the two proposed marriages, viz., that of Orleans with the princess of Castile and that of Francis' daughter with the Prince. It would be necessary that Orleans should visit the Empress, who desires much to see him. Toledo, 13 Dec., 1538.

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14 Dec. **1049.** HENRY VIII. to SIR WILL GORING and [WILLIAM] ERNELY.

R. O. Wilkins, III. 840. Commission to take and convey to the Tower of London the bones, shrine, &c., now in Chichester Cathedral, of "a certain bishop of the same which they call Saint Richard," and to see the place of the shrine destroyed, with all other images in that church whereabout there is any notable superstition. Hampton Court, 14 Dec. 30 Henry VIII. *Signed by Cromwell.*

Modern copy showing where the original has been mutilated, p. 1.

R. O. 2. Undated draft of the preceding, from which the mutilations may be supplied.*

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14 Dec. **1050.** JOHN [HILSEY], bp. of Rochester, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received his letter, dated 12 Dec., concerning the high stewardship of the lands and liberties of the bishopric. The Master of the Rolls has the office by patent; but if Cromwell will wait a few days, will offer him as much yearly as the fee comes to. If he cannot obtain it thus, Cromwell must speak to him himself, and if that is no use, will give the said sum to any one whom Cromwell appoints. 14 Dec.

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14 Dec. **1051.** CRANMER to CROMWELL.

R. O. C.'s Letters, 386. Has received his letter, dated Hampton Court, 12 Dec., stating that the King has appointed him High Steward and Master of the Game of Cranmer's lands, by reason of the attainder of Sir Edw. Nevell, and that he desires his confirmation. Is glad he has the preferment. Sends copies of his predecessor's grants of the said offices. The stewardship has not been duly exercised, and his counsel inform him that the interest therein is forfeited by the said grant. If the law will permit, will assure it to him for life, or else it will appertain to the lord of Burgayveny. Forde, 14 Dec.

P.S. in his own hand.—Asks Cromwell to accomplish his suit for his servant the bearer, Fras. Basset, for the monastery of Croxden. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed.*

* The words bracketed in Wilkins are mostly wrong, but do not greatly affect the sense.

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1052. For Francis Bassett.

R. O. "The ferme of Musden Grawnge, appertaining to the abbey of Crocksden, within the county of Stafford, being of the yearly value of 20 mks. by the year."

Endd.: "A remembrance to speak to the King for Francis Bassett, servant to my lord of Cant."

14 Dec. **1053.** [Scepperus] to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,590 f. 302. B. M. The Constable has declared to me the King's satisfaction at what Tarbes writes of the increased evidence which he finds of the firmness of your Majesty's amity and at the reply you gave the king of England about the alliances* for which he importunes your majesty, giving you *carte blanche* for the declaration of your whole desire and promising every assistance. The Constable says your Majesty persisted in the answer given to Brissac, and even more openly to the English ambassadors, that it was useless to urge that matter further as the affairs settled between you and the French king could not be changed, and that you meant to go on, confident that the French king would do the same. This has given Francis the highest possible opinion of the Emperor, and a power is to be sent to Tarbes to treat in accordance with the Emperor's proposal that neither party shall make any alliance by marriage, league or otherwise with the King of England. This cordiality all comes of the Emperor's own words.

The abominable cruelty of the king of England towards the churches and chief persons of his realm has horrified the French. The Constable has said again that the King his master hoped for nothing else than an entire agreement with the Emperor and Pope to assist the Church against the rebellion of the king of England. Asks what to reply.

In the midst of these conferences it has been agreed that neither prince should lend any ear to dangerous enterprises. The young duke of Wirtemberg arrived here three days ago, who was at Plombieres in Burgundy on ill terms with his father. Understands that he comes from the Dukes of Bavaria who have been solicited strongly to join the heretics of Germany. The Queen of France is indefatigable in promoting the amity. If Orleans is not to marry the Infanta of Spain she would like him to marry her daughter the princess Mary of Portugal. Paris, 14 Dec., 1538.

Spanish, pp. 6. *Modern copy from Simancas.* [*See Spanish Calendar, Vol.* VI., *Part* I., No. 29.]

1054. Francis I. to the Bp. of Tarbes.

Add. MS. 28,590 f. 342. B.M. Has received his letter of the 25th ult., announcing receipt of the writer's packet by Philip Strozzi's man and the arrival of Don Diego de Mendoza with his report of the reception and great cheer (*pira*, qu. *ciera*?) Francis made to the queen of Hungary. Rejoices that the Emperor has expressed a wish to meet him and hunt with him, and also at the Emperor's honest practices touching the ratification of the truce with the Duke of Savoy. The Duke has despatched it in the form required and Francis has sent a copy to the Sieur de Montejan his lieutenant in Piedmont to be intimated to the Marquis del Guasto.

Has also seen, by his letter, what Covos and Grandvelle declared to him, touching the English ambassador and the gentleman† of that King's chamber having spoken to the Emperor the day before about his (Henry's) marriage with the widowed duchess of Milan and the marriage of his eldest daughter with the Infant of Portugal or any other the Emperor might choose, &c.,

* Marriage of Henry VIII. and of the Princess Mary. † Philip Hoby.

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with a view to make a closer amity; and the Emperor's unwillingness to do that or anything that might in the future bring any prejudice.

If the Emperor will agree not to treat with the King of England Francis will do the same. Gives directions how to treat for this and sends power, As to the declaration the Pope desires to make against the king of England, Francis is determined to do as the Emperor does.

Spanish translation of an extract headed "Le Roi de France a Mons. de Tarbes son ambassadeur." *Modern copy from Simancas, pp.* 3.

14 Dec. Add. MS. 28,590, f. 290. B. M.

1055. THE EMPEROR'S POLICY.

Points to be discussed in the Emperor's Council, arising out of the letters last received from Italy, France, Flanders, and England, with apostyles showing the decision of the Council.

29 articles relating to the fleet in the Levant, the capture of Castilnovo, and the preparations for the future expedition, &c. Five articles under the head of France about objections contained in the answer to Brissach's proposals, the proposed interview of Francis and the king of the Romans, &c. Four articles headed Flanders, viz.:—

1. The conferences of the Commissioners of the queen of Hungary and England turn on three points on which the English strongly insist, viz., the giving of Milan, holding the Princess a bastard, and that Don Luis swear to the statutes of England.—Letters to be written in accordance with what the Emperor said to the English ambassador. In any case we must persist in what was lately written to the said Queen, awaiting news from France on what was said to Brissach.

2. What the ambassador in England writes of his negociations with the King's ministers about the marriages, setting apart the state of Milan, and whether a stricter amity cannot be made, even if one or both treaties should fall through.—This depends on what shall be determined about the proposals of the English ambassador.

3. The news of those parts.—The ambassador is to write all he hears.

4. The danger feared by the ambassador in England.—It is not to be supposed that the king of England will go to such an extreme length. But if the ambassador think it probable let him retire to Flanders.

Four further articles about Naples, &c.

Spanish. Modern copy from Simancas, pp. 23. *The original is docketed:* Para deliberar en consejo destado. Consultose en Toledo a xiiij° de Deciembre de 1538. [*See Spanish Calendar*, Vol. VI. Part I., No. 31.]

15 Dec. Harl. MS. 6,074, f. 64 *b.* B. M.

1056. THE MARQUIS OF EXETER.

"The disgrading of Henry Curtney, late marques of Excester, wich was indicted at Westm^r the 3d day of December, and the same daie there convicted, and the 9th daie of the same moneth behedded at Towre Hill, and the 15th day of the said moneth disgradide at Wyndisor in maner fowlowing, Anno D'ni 1538, Anno R.R. Henrici viij xxx°." (Proclamation follows.)

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2. Modern copy of the preceding giving the date of the degradation as the 16th instead of the 15th.

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1057. JOHN [HILSEY], Bp. of Rochester, to CROMWELL.

Has received his letter containing the King's command that he should cause leases of the farm of Bromlegh, the parsonage of South Flete, and the patents of the stewardship of Dartford, to be made to Sir Ric. Long, gentleman of the Privy Chamber. Has no title to the stewardship of Dartford, nor to the parsonage of South Flete, during the incumbent's life. Cannot now make a lease of Bromley, as the present holder has certain years to

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1057. JOHN [HILSEY], Bp. of Rochester, to CROMWELL—*cont.*

come. Must also see the old lease that covenants and grants may be made accordingly. Intended to have made suit to Cromwell for the said farm for his own use, for, in accordance with the King's and Cromwell's letters, he has let out all the demesnes and emoluments belonging to the whole diocese. Will also do his pleasure about the stewardship of his lands. Bromlegh, 15 Dec.

P.S. in his own hand.—Will write again on Wednesday at the furthest, concerning both letters. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[15 Dec.] **1058.** RIC. BP. OF DOVER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. III. 181.

Has received the house of White Friars in Aylesforde to the King's hands. On 13 Dec. came to Canterbury and found three houses more in debt than all they have can pay, and especially the Austin Friars. Their debts are 40*l.* and their implements not 6*l.* except a little plate weighing 126 oz. The Black and Grey are able with their implements to pay their debts, the Bp's costs and a little more. At the Austin Friars on 14 Dec. one friar very rudely and traitorously used himself, as Cromwell will see by a bill enclosed. Has examined him before Mr. Mayor and Mr. Spylman, but he is ready to die for it that the King may not be head of the Church, but it must be a spiritual father appointed by God. Has paid for horses and men to send him to Cromwell. This Sunday will make an end in Canterbury and on Monday to Sandwich, on Wednesday to Rye, and so to Winchelsea and Lewes. Asks for a house for he is so poor that he has none, but only keeps Langley by Cromwell's favour. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1059. RIC. BP. OF DOVER to CROMWELL.

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Since he last delivered plate to the King, has received 2000 oz. and more, of which he would gladly be discharged, as well as of 46*l.* which he has. If the houses northwards have made their releases to the King, knows no house to release except Lewes. Will go thither if Cromwell wishes and so make his book perfect. In divers places left plate and goods with the keepers or in pledge. Now some keepers complain that the people break up doors, walls, and pales. Does not know what answer to make. Divers gentlemen have received plate and ornaments, and he cannot get them without Cromwell's assistance. An order must be taken about certain lands which were put in "feffares" hands to the use of friars conditionally, that they should keep their obits, some yearly a *dirige* and mass, and some a daily mass. Asks whether these lands shall come to the King or return to the heirs. *Signed.*

P.S. in his own hand.—Asks him to be good lord to him for Langley.

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Anno xxx°. Rycharde Deverux.

1060. RIC. BP. OF DOVER to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has received the house of Friars at Lewes to the King's use. All the implements, altars, bells, windows, gravestones, &c., except the roofs and the covering of them were not able to pay the debts. Most of the plate was abroad in pledge. All is appraised, but none sold, and left in the hands of John Mylesent and Nich. Geney, Cromwell's servants. Has paid the debts, 15*l.* 4*s.* The plate is 77 oz. Hopes there are no more houses to receive, so that he can make up his books and present them to Cromwell with the surrenders, common seals and inventories. Asks for a commission to sell such stuff as is abroad and pay the debts and redeem the plate. Will then be able to make a clear account of all the convents. Asks for three or four days to make up his books, and will then attend on him. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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15 Dec. R. O. **1061.** E. EARL OF HERTFORD to CROMWELL.

I have received your letters, advising me not to retain my maid longer from her father, which might be to her hindrance. I should be sorry either to hinder her or displease your Lordship, and if her father, though he has given me no cause so to do, come for her tomorrow to Mr. Page's house before my wife's departure, she will deliver her. Hampton Court, 15 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

15 Dec. R. O. **1062.** WILLIAM ERNELE to JOHN HYBERDYN.

Sends him 2 angel nobles, and regrets not having been able to speak with him at his departure. Sends a little book which he should read, for many of these papistical fellows in Chichester "be marvellously aggrieved withal." Advises him to give good attendance on my lord his master that he may get a living in this his own country, and when he finds an opportunity to move him of that false priest, Sir Simon Fowler: "for surely he is a counsel with that lord Delawar and other that be now in the Tower for treason." He could disclose much if well handled. "For her hys at my lordys plasse at Halnaker, cowmyng by nygth and rydyng alsso by nygth to and fro. Wath they be I cannot hyt know y^e^ truth, nor wether they ryde, but my lordes servants commyt one or a nother nygtly and gohyt upe a gene in all haste by nygth by cawsse they wyll not be syne, and master Fawkenor hath reportyd here in Chechester that he hard Sir Symon say that my lord Delawar was commandyd to y^e^ Towre for no thyng helsse but that he wold not be y^e^ foreman of y^e^ quest to my lord Montagew," with other feigned tales. My lord should be examined and his house searched, also Sir Symon's house in the East country and Fawkenar's house, for surely this riding to and fro by night is to put evidences out of the way. Cukham, 15 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Commend me to Mr. Thos. Alyn and Sir Harry Owyn. If you can get my lord's arms I would fain set them up in my house "with hys possey allso." It is said the carnall Powle (Cardinal Pole) was with my lord Laware at his house, and at the house of Crowth (Croftes), the traitor, a little before the King's coming. I trust to boult out the truth. Here is much secret news among the priests, who say Lord Delaware shall be home in three days.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Master Hyberdyn servant unto my lord of the Privy Seal. *Begins:* My nown good frynde, John Hyberdyn. *Endd.:* Anno xxx^o^ Mr. Erneley.

[15 Dec.] Vesp. XIII. 114 b. B. M. **1063.** T. LORD WENTWORTH to LORD [CROMWELL.]

Has been desired by the bailiffs of Ipswich and the parishioners of St. Lawrence to inform his lordship that James Crawford, late chantry priest of Edmond Daundy of Ipswich is an enemy to the Word of God, though it was reported that he was a true favorer thereof. At the time of the last insurrection in the North parts, the then bailiffs reported his demeanour to me, which accords with the certificate* they have made to your lordship. They deprived him of the chantry because he did not keep the ordinances made by the said Edmund Daundy, and have at my request appointed Thos. Bekone, a discreet, honest priest well learned, a true preacher of the Word of God, a great setter forth to the people of the King's most just and lawful title of supremacy, approved by God's word. *Signed.*

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* The certificate seems to be the document printed in Vol. XI., No. 1309, which thus appears to be of the year 1538.

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15 Dec. **1064.** Sir George Lawson, and Others, to [Cromwell.]

Cleop. E. iv. 242.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 167.

Have received his letters with the King's order concerning the lead and bells of the houses of religion contained in their commission. Have already committed the custody of them to substantial persons and have sold none. Have quietly taken the surrenders and dissolved the monasteries of Wyeresoppe Monckebreton, St. Andrews at York, Byland, Ryvaille, Kyrkeham, and Ellerton, and the friars at Tykhill, Doncaster, Pontefract, and York. Were thankfully received, as within six days they will more plainly certify. Where Cromwell writes to reserve the lead and bells at Bolton; no such commission has come to them. York, 15 Dec. *Signed.:* George Lawson: Rychard Belassez: Will'm Blithman: James Rokeby.

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15 Dec. **1065.** Anthoinette de Saveuses to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

Commend me to my lord Deputy. I cannot express my anxiety to hear from you, as your last letters mentioned that a lord of England [Bridgewater] was endeavouring by extortion to defraud your eldest son, by which you were compelled to cross the sea. I hope your voyage has been accomplished with honor and advantage to yourself. I have been very ill for six weeks, of which I have spent three in bed. I hope to be well at Christmas, but I could not eat flesh during the fasts des Aluens (?), which we keep since before St. Martin's Day, and fish does not very well agree with me, except fresh fish. Dunkirk, 15 December.

Hol. Fr. p. 1. *Add.*

15 Dec. **1066.** James V. to Paul III.

Theiner 610.

Recommends Robert, abbot of Holyrood,* as successor to Jas. bp. of Ross, and that he may retain the pension of 500 marks Scots belonging to Holy Rood abbey until he receive the bulls. Desires credence for Jas. Salmond. Falkland, 15 Dec. 1538.

Lat.

15 Dec. **1067.** James V. to Pa ul III.

Theiner, 611.

Desires, as he has already written, to promote Robert abbot of Holyrood* to the see of Ross. Desires also that the Pope will give the abbacy of Holyrood *in commendam* to his natural son, James Stewart, now in his fifth year. The Church will gain authority and lose nothing, and there was a precedent in the case of the predecessor of this last abbot. Falkland, 15 Dec. 1538.

Lat.

[15 Dec.] **1068.** Italian News.

Vit. B. xiv. 26. B. M.

The first two paragraphs are unintelligible from mutilation, but according to a modern marginal note, made before the fire, they refer to a marriage between the Emperor's daughter and the Pope's nephew, and to the creation of cardinals.

The following paragraph bears this (modern) note in the margin: "A peace between the Emperor and French king on certain conditions."†

"It is mo . . . . . The emperor . . . . . the condition . . . . . dukedom of M[ilan] . . . . . Portugal and of . . . . . for her dote, 500 thou[sand] . . . . . And further that the French . . . . . one million and 700,000 scuttes, and [if the duke]

* Robert Cairncross.

† Evidently the conditions related to the proposed marriage of the duke of Orleans with the Infanta, either of Spain or of Portugal, with Milan as the lady's "dote."

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of Orleans shall die without issue that [then the dukedom of] Milan shall return to the Emperor's hands.

"These* courtiers go about to take away fro[m the duke of] Urbyne both the dukedoms of Camerin and [Urbyne because he] did not leave Camerin at their bidding. T . . . . . already made against him. Messere Petru[s] . . . . . captain general, Mons. Stephen Columna . . . . . place and the rule of all the army which . . . . . .

"Many men thought that the duke of U[rbine] . . . . . Cameryne, and that the emperor had answered . . . . . but upon that condition that he should be ass. . . . . for his wife the duchess. And it is thought . . . . . thinketh that he should have the same dukedom.

"A bishop of Senogallia† who ruled some time . . . . . the duke late deceased hath been of late ap . . . . . of Bononye. And going thither hath sp[oken with the duke] of Urbyne and exhorted him to depar[t] . . . . . And hereupon the said bishop hath . . . . . be divided in three parties . . . . and hath contyn . . . . . d hereupon he is copious . . . . . duke beseecheth humbly . . . . . things as they threaten . . . . . be compelled to do . . . . . turn them to displeasure . . . . . writeth many things in . . . . . d he writeth and boldly . . . . . constrain him to take the . . . . . he shall do it effectually and . . . . . des and wit, and shall help him . . . . . friends he can, and put his own life in hazard and danger for the defence of his estate and of every parcel thereof. This fashion of speech did displease them."

Of the state of the duke of Urbino, Cameryn is thought to be impregnable, Pisaure, Senogallia and Urbino are strong, and St. Leon is well furnished with munitions. The duke can therefore defend himself easily and if he had money might offend, as he has many and expert soldiers. The duke of Mantua is his mother's brother; the duke of Ferrara his cousin. It is reported that the English ambassador in Spain has offered many things in his favour.

"Within few days past it was much spoken of a bull [which] should be published concerning the affairs of England. [Afterwar]d they heard news of the lords‡ that were cast . . . . . it is like that they shall conclude thes . . . . . ."

[Here follows a very mutilated passage the purport of which is given in the margin as follows: The d. of Urbin will leave Cameryn upon certain conditions.]

"This affair is in . . . . . the Emperor and of the Ve[netians] . . . . . would have the sequestration . . . . . and that the duke should trust hy . . . . . . person. It is commonly esteemed that the . . . . . of peace."

Mutilated. Modern marginal note: 15 December.

16 Dec. R. O. **1069.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

Your bill of your annuity (200*l.*) is signed and is to be paid quarterly at the usual terms by the treasurer of the Augmentations, the first payment at Christmas next. It shall pass the seal of the Court of Augmentations; but if the Great Seal be thought of more strength I trust to have it pass there. The payment of the said 50*l.* now due my Lady has left to the draper, to whom I stand yet bound. Meanwhile please write to Mr. Thomas Pope,

* Marginal note. An army of 10,000 foot prepared against the duke of Urbin.

† According to Gams' *Series Episcoporum* Marcus Vigerius de la Rovere was bp. of Sinigaglia from 1513 till his death in 1560.

‡ Exeter, Montague, and the rest.

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1069. JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE—*cont.*

esquire, treasurer at this time of the said Augmentations, that a bill of my hand of receipt of the said 50*l.* shall at all times be of sufficient discharge. My Lord* has promised you shall have the Friars despatched as soon as he can have time. As to the rent charged that my lord Marquis bare you the King seems good lord to you. A warrant must be had out for the same. How other matters have framed my Lady can relate. Acton has promised to seal his obligations. Soberton is yet in suspense; I would money were made of it: as to the heir there is no trust. You should make your profit of the reversion of the land Mr. Fawkner has: it were a good bargain for Mr. Skryven if he would pay reasonably. This journey has been nothing pleasant nor profitable to my Lady and you, but undoubtedly the King is your good lord. Sends by bearer a velvet undercap. My lord Admiral willed me to signify that the King's pleasure is that you shall nowise break the order and ordinance made for the advancement of the gunners, and that whosoever procured the King's letters to the contrary upon any pretext should suffer. London, 16 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

16 Dec. **1070.** SOUTHAMPTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. By reason of my riding yesterday my humour troubled me in my flank and descended to my leg and ankle, so that on alighting I could not put my foot to the ground. What with my ache thereof and my "ill stomach" together, I could do nothing of my charge overnight, and so went betimes to my naked bed, first applying to my leg a plaster devised by Mr. Buttes and the King's surgeon, and taking certain pills which have wrought so on me that I feel somewhat eased.

This Monday morning I repaired to my lady of Sarum and demanded her testaments. She said they were in her chests, which I then caused to be fetched, and there found them both. I looked only at the dates; the first dated anno 20° and the new anno 30° in September last. I asked why the first was cancelled and cut. She said when she made her new will she cut her name off the old to damn it. To let your lordship have the first view, I send them by bearer. When you have read them and shown the King thereof I shall be ready to execute his Grace's orders.

You remember I told you of a letter which a merchant had received from Portugal, showing that the King had arrested all ships in Lisborne for the Emperor. This morning I hear from Calais that the Emperor sets out on the 8th Jan. towards Constantinople with two great armies as well by sea as land, and that Mons. le comte de Reulx, grant mastre de Flandres, and Mons. Diseseten with others will follow. Although I hear many news from Calais, whereof some are lies, I am inclined to believe this, as the writer, Thicbault, is a Burgundian born, once a soldier under me at Guisnes, and hears more from his countrymen than others do. Considering what the bp. of Hereford lately wrote of the gentleman† of France coming out of Spain, I trust the King will soon hear news from the Emperor to his satisfaction. Cowdrey, 16 Dec. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

16 Dec. **1071.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. By this bearer, my servant, Thomas Kynerston, I have sent to the King certain red deer, as I promised——how many I cannot tell you, as they may die by the way, but I know he will do his diligence; as he brings so I send, although I had in November more than 26. There hath wanted no diligence, cost, or pains since I spake to your Lordship about this. I beg you intimate them in my behalf to the King. Scroysbury, 16 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Cromwell.

† In MS., "gent," which may be singular or plural. But Brissac seems to be referred to.

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16 Dec. **1072.** W. [BARLOW], Bishop of St. Davids, to CROMWELL.

R. O. The King's attempts for the reformation of his subjects will never succeed in Wales unless provision be made for schools of erudition to be settled in divers places of the diocese. There is now scarcely a learned man there except those his poverty has provided for. It may be easily redressed with light expenses and without any hard difficulty. As he has uttered his mind in previous letters, will not make further suit unless he is commanded. Would like to see the King. Lanfaye, 16 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1073. W. [BARLOW], Bp. of St. David's, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has been a suitor to him for the translation of St. David's See and the erection of certain schools, and had comfortable answers, animating him to persevere. As he has not been able to speak to Cromwell, since last coming hither, asks whether he shall continue or surcease to molest him any more in this suit.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The Bp. of St. Davis, "desiring he might translate Davyd's Psalmes" (*the words between inverted commas are not contemporary*).

16 Dec. **1074.** DE LA PRE ABBEY.

R. O. Surrender (by Clemens, abbess of Delapraye, and the convent) of the
Rymer, XIV. 614. house and all its possessions in England to John London, clk., to the King's use, 16 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *No signatures.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II., 18.]

Seal mutilated.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 52] without mem. of acknowledgment.

16 Dec. **1075.** RALPH EARL OF WESTMORELAND to the PRESIDENT of the COUNCIL in the NORTH.

R. O. Upon the rumour that Hexham prison was broken I and Sir Thos. Tempest sent to my servant John Swynburne to enquire how it was done. He came to me yesternight. I enclose his report. Brauncepeth, 16 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

16 Dec. **1076.** ANTHOINE BRUSSET to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. Asks him, according to his promise, to grant licences to Nicolas de Bergues and Glaude Le Gay to buy 500 or 600 rasiers or wheat, oats, "soille," and "soucrion" in the English pale, on paying the King's impost. Gravelinghes, 16 Dec. 1538. Asks for an answer by the bearer. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

16 Dec. **1077.** VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Besides our ample letter to the King by this post I send you "my
St. P. VIII. 109. poor conjecture" about the coldness of the Queen and the delegates she appointed to treat with us. First the Queen is much led by the said delegates and other councillors who for the sake of their lands lying near France and their alliances in the same are inclined to France. Again, the Emperor having taken an advantageous truce with the French king and intending a journey towards Constantinople, those here fear the French king, and, during the said journey, dare not give him the least spark of suspicion. Comparing their gentle entertainment of us with their deeds shows them to be "dissimulers," as you will see by our letter to the King.

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1077. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL—*cont.*

My diets being all spent and Christmas Day not yet come ("which to answer the 50*l.* I received of Mr. Tuke and th'other 50*l.* which your Lordship commanded Mr. Godsalve to pay my wife") shall be the 100th day since my diets began, I am forced to beg your Lordship to write to Mr. Tuke to deliver me in prest 50*l.* at my day. Our charges are greater than my diets, though I have but three men and two horses, for Mr. Wriothesley's train furnishes us all. When I shall keep house here alone, and must buy at least a dozen horses and have as many servants, and buy household things and pompous apparel, I trust you will favour me who have neither house nor lands but only a little money, "and knoweth that you have not been venged on your mortal enemy, but done good to the same." I have already bestowed over 200 mks. in plate here, and this I write to show how willingly, to my power, I bestow my money to serve the King. Brussels, 16 Dec.

Hol. Add.: Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Dec. **1078.** JEHAN BAZOUYM to [JAMES BASSET].

R. O. I and your "commere" send commendations to your good grace. Excuse us for not having written news, as you have done. I sent you three or four pairs (?) of letters since you went thither (*par dela*). We speak of you daily. I have received your letters by Mons. Becquinsort, and thank you for keeping us in mind, hoping always to see you in good health at Paris. I have also sent you letters by an honest gentleman who was going into England about eight days ago. I know not if you have received them. We pray God that we may still see you at Paris for a long time. Do not regard the writing but the writer, "qui couche mal son cas." As to news here, I think you know them well enough. Written at your lodging, 16 Dec.

Fr. Hol., pp. 2.

16 Dec. **1079.** JAMES V. to PAUL III.

Theiner, 611. Thinks his kingdom more highly honoured by the Pope's goodwill towards him and his desire to confer a title upon the bp. of Mirepoix (David Beton), as signified in two briefs and the letters of card. Carpi, as well as by Geo. Hay by word of mouth. Will endeavour to show his gratitude and devotion to the Church when any opportunity offers. Understands that the Pope has only put off for the present the legation which James had desired for the bp., and trusts that when the present storms of the Church are assuaged he will be more compliant. Edinburgh, 16 Dec. 1538.

Lat.

16 Dec. **1080.** [JAMES V.] to CARDINAL ——.

Royal MS. 18 B. vi. 49. B. M. Wrote lately about his desire to confer the rectory of Glasgow (*rectoria Glasguensis*) on Henry Sinclair. Desires credence for James Salmond. Edinburgh, 16 Dec. 1538.

Copy. Lat., mutilated, p. 1.

16 Dec. **1081.** JAMES V. to ALEX. CARDINAL FARNESE, Papal Vice Chancellor.

Royal MS. 18 B. vi. 49. B. M. Has received his letters and thanks him for his services. Edinburgh, 16 Dec. 1538.

Copy. Lat., p. 1.

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16 Dec. **1082.** JAMES V. to CARDINAL GHINUCCI.

Royal MS. 18 B. VI. 49. B. M.

Thanks him for his diligence in his affairs, of which he has heard from almost all Scotchmen who return from Rome. Has entrusted certain business in Rome to James Salmond, and desires the Cardinal to favour him. Edinburgh, 16 Dec. 1538.

Copy. Lat., p. 1. *Mutilated.*

17 Dec. **1083.** JOHN [HILSEY], Bishop of Rochester, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Asks him to prefer the bearer to the continuance of the under-stewardship of the Bishop's court at Rochester, to which he was admitted by Sir Chr. Hales, Master of the Rolls. Bromlegh, 17 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Dec. **1084.** THE TOWN OF DUNKIRK to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O.

We send you a small present of a "brunvisch," but are sorry we have nothing better to offer. Dunkirk, 17 Dec. '38.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

17 Dec. **1085.** THE ENGLISH BIBLE.

Cleop. E. v. 326. B. M.

Citation by Henry Garvais, S.T.D., prior of the Friars Preachers of Paris and vicar-general of Matthew Ory, S.T.D., of the same Order, inquisitor-general in France, of Francis Regnault, bookseller, at Paris, and all who are engaged with him in printing the Scriptures in English. 1538, 17 Dec.

Copy. Latin, p. 1. *Headed by Bonner:* The copy of the second citation and inhibition against the printer of the English Bible.

1086. EDWARD WHITCHURCHE* to [CROMWELL]

R. O.

"Your Lordship's certifying me, that you would not write your letters nor meddle at all, with our purposed work, lately taken in hand for your Lordship," brings me to despair. Considering your zeal for God's glory, I beg you will not refuse now to help us; and when you please, I shall inform you of "those people," especially our countrymen who complain to the University,† and slander the King and his Council.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.*

17 Dec. **1087.** PAUL III.

Burnet IV. 318. Wilkins III. 840.

Bull against Hen. VIII., renewing the execution of the bull of 30 Aug. 1535, which had been suspended in hope of his amendment, as he has since gone to still further excesses, having dug up and burned the bones of St. Thomas of Canterbury and scattered the ashes to the winds, (after calling the saint to judgment, condemning him as contumacious, and proclaiming him a traitor), and spoiled his shrine. He has also spoiled St. Augustine's monastery in the same city, driven out the monks and put in deer in their place. Publication of this bull may be made in Dieppe or Boulogne in France, or in St. Andrew's or Coldstream (? "in oppido Calistrensi"), St. Andrew's dioc., in Scotland, or in Tuam or Ardfert in Ireland, if preferred, instead of the places named in the former bull. Rome, xvi. kal. Jan. 1538, 5 Paul III.

* One of the printers of the Great Bible.

† Of Paris.

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17 Dec. **1088.** CARDINAL FARNESE to the CARDINAL OF BRINDISI.

Vatican MS. Uncertain state of the negociations for peace between France and the Emperor, although Brissac has been sent back from Spain with good words, and the Emperor accepts the French offer of 30,000 ducats a month for five or six months for the enterprise against the Infidels; for the French unless they have peace and the restitution of Milan, will neither join the League nor desert their friends, although the Emperor promised Brissac the King of the Romans' daughter for Mons. d'Orleans, with Milan as soon as she reaches her twelfth year. The enterprise against the Infidels:—it is said that a good number of ships is ready in Flanders to be at Malaga in the middle of January. Preparations and expenses. Barbarossa's shipwreck worse than at first reported; his son lost.

The new crimes of the king of England having been by his Holiness put before the eyes of the Christian princes have so disgusted everyone that his Holiness has good hope that the Emperor and French king will consent to stop all commerce with him; and a bull is already prepared (*in ordine*) against the King. Brindisi may tell it to "cotesta Maesta" (Ferdinand), in order that the thing may be the more favoured and assisted. A copy of the bull shall be sent. Rome, 17 Dec. 1538.

Italian, pp. 3. *Add.:* Legate in Germany. *From a modern extract in R.O. Headed:* Del cardinal Farnese al cardinal Brundusino, 17 Dec. 1538.

18 Dec. **1089.** THOMAS STYDOLF to LORD LISLE.

R. O. I desire you to be good lord to the bearer, John Loveday, son of the late Nuel Loveday, some time of the King's cellar and gentleman for the mouth with the late Princess Dowager, to take him into your retinue or elsewhere, to break him from his youth and wildness. He is an honest man and good horseman. He was three years with Geo. Hennyngham, and has kinsmen in Calais, the Lovedays, my cousin, Geo. Gaynesford, and others. I promised Mr. Bassett, your son, to have seen my Lady your bedfellow when she was last in London, but the day I promised to see my Lady I sat on the commission with others of the shire of Surrey for the indictment of the late lord Marquis,* and was commanded by my lord Privy Seal to acquaint the King with the secret verdict.

I have of your Lordship's gift and lady Lysley's, your late wife, an annuity of 10*l.* out of Kebborthe in Leicestershire, and at your desire, for the payment of Holt, I was content to take yearly 5*l.* till your debt was paid. In recompense for the 5*l.* forborne for 10 years, if you will send me two barrels of herring and one hhd. of wine I will give you an acquittance for the arrears. Ham Curte, 18 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add:* Deputy of Calais.

18 Dec. **1090.** HENRY EARL OF ESSEX to CROMWELL.

R. O. Last Whitsuntide twelvemonth one Robt. Dellawale lost his ears at Royston for saying that "a horse of 10*s.* should bear all the lords within England once within three years." * He has now repeated the words. Has attached him and asks Cromwell's pleasure. At my house of the Base, 18 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

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* The marquis of Exeter was indicted in Surrey on 29 Nov. 1538.

† *See* Vol. XII. Pt. ii. No. 74.

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18 Dec. **1091.** Sir John Gage to Cromwell.

R. O. Hearing that Cromwell wishes to let to farm all his lands at Lewes, offers to take both the Ryes where the conies are, and the "brokes" lying to the said Ryes, the fields between the Place and the Friars; and "the Broadwater" which he has of the archbp. of Canterbury. Keeps a poor house here and has but a small thing to bear his charges withal and these farms would relieve him. Firlez, 18 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

18 Dec. **1092.** Sir Thomas Arundell to Cromwell.

R. O. Ellis, 3d. Ser. iii. 230. At my departure your Lordship asked me whether the abbess and convent of Shafton would surrender their house to the King, and I said I thought that as the King was so liberal to all who so surrendered, they would rather follow the "moo" (majority) than otherwise. But since the coming of Dr. Tregonel I find them to be of another sort, and notwithstanding all his earnest practising they will not agree, but have desired me to write to your Lordship for the King's favour that they may remain, for which they offer his Majesty 500 marks and your Lordship 100*l.* Since my coming home the abbot of Cerne has desired me to make the same offer. Shafton, 18 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd:* "Anno xxx."

18 Dec. **1093.** German Poole.

Add. MS. 6668, f. 396. B. M. Receipt given 18 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. by Thos. Borowse, chaplain, on behalf of Sir Godfrey Foliambe, of Walton, of 55*s.* 8*d.* from German Poole for his "coope tayle," and the "coope" of his late father, John Pole, due last Michaelmas.

Hol., p. 1.

18 Dec. **1094.** Sir George Lawson and Wm. Blithman to Cromwell.

R. O. The priors of Pontefract, Newburghe and Maltone intend to surrender their houses if there be any commission to receive them. York, 18 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

18 Dec. **1095.** Sir Raynold Carnaby to Cromwell.

R. O. His letters to the lord President (copy enclosed) will inform Cromwell of the unfortunate breaking of Hexham gaol, and the escape of Gerry Charlton *alias* Toppyng, who was able to stay a great part of Tynedale. Had he taken Cromwell's advice and made sure those under him were as diligent and trusty as himself this would not have happened. Wrote by his brother Thos. Carnaby advising, for the stay of Tynedale, a general raid to destroy house, hay and corn of such as would not obey; and after that a body of ready horsemen to be maintained until those who fled should submit and a house of strength to be built for the keeper's residence. Cromwell answered that the King preferred "honest secret policy," and would not make any devastation until all other ways were proved. At that time the inhabitants openly maintained rebels, and now it is said they have been devisers of this act, and that Gerry Charlton is among them in Tynedale. If the King will take any such way as I advise with the Tynedale men the time for it is between this and Candlemas; for when their hay and corn is spent and new grass sprung up, "then, when they go on shelyng (as they call it), unto the latter end of summer, and that harvest be past, there can no harm be done unto them." If the King does not wish this, but that a house and men be immediately furnished for the keeper, and that redress be had from Liddisdale by meetings of the wardens, he will endeavour to defend the

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1095. Sir Raynold Carnaby to Cromwell—*cont.*

King's subjects adjoining Tynedale, divers of whom have lost goods and cattle. The inhabitants here have so long favoured thieves and evil doers that without some great punishment they cannot be reformed. As a house for the keeper, has already suggested to the Council Terset Hall in Tynedale, but has since viewed a house called Haughton (view enclosed) in which the keeper with 50 men or even 40, besides his own household, could rule the whole country. If so many were taken temporarily from the garrison of Berwick it would do no harm. Hallton, 18 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Plan of the south, east, and west sides of [Haughton Castle?] with notes of the position and size of chambers, thickness of walls, &c., and other notes such as: "On Tuesday the 3rd of December."

At bottom: "A barnikin in compass about 11 score yards all almost down. The demesnes whole together; Sir John Woddryngton's part and Wm. Swyneborn's is as I am informed 20*l.* a year. R. Carnaby kt."

Bottom edge of paper containing part of the flanking wall and gateway cut off.

18 Dec. **1096.** Guillaume Groul to Pierre Beccwit, Secretary to Lord Lisle, at Calais.

R. O. I have received your letter showing that you would have been glad if I had found a merchant to buy your sorrel (*soret*). No one in St. Omer will take it at the price you ask. They are sold here this year for 9 livres *de gros*, and are more esteemed than those of Calais, because they pass "lawart." A merchant of St. Omer will give you 24 livres *de gros* for the three lasts (?) (*des troys let de ung nuit*) provided it be delivered "au hopon" and be good merchandise, passing "lawart" of St. Omer. He will pay you half in ready money, the rest at a fixed term, or, if you prefer it, in worsted (*demiostade*). The other three lasts of two *nuit* you cannot sell for so much as the others unless they pass "lawart" of St. Omer, like the first. St. Omer, 18 Dec. 1538.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

18 Dec. **1097.** Thomas Wriothesley to Mr. Soulemont.

R. O. I thank you for your last letters by Henry. Pray deliver the money you have for my "divident," with the 5*l.* to be received from Mr. Bellices, to my cousin Stone, as in my last letters I wrote. Bruxelles, 18 Dec.

Pray see the letters herewith delivered, "specially my Lord's* letter," and help my friend Mr. Lathum who is in a peck of trouble. Also send my letters to my cousin Stone with diligence.

Commend me to Mr. Crumwell, Mr. Pollerde, and all my Lord's servants.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Sealed.*

19 Dec. **1098.** Charles Duke of Suffolk.

See Grants in December, No. 18.

Harl. MS. 604, f. 114. B.M. 2. Valor of certain possessions of the priory of Maxstoke, *i.e.*, Dunton Bassett, the parsonage of Aston Cantlowe (which is farmed by lady Constance Ferris, widow, and pays pensions to the prior and convent of Worcester), Yerdley in Worcestershire (net value 15*l.* 14*s.*, "with 6*s.* charged upon Griffith Thomas more th[an] his patent is, as appeareth by the same patent"), and Filongley (among the pensions are some to the bishop of Worcester, the abbot of Worcester (*sic*), and the abbot of Kenilworth). Net total, 115*l.* 17*s.* 3¾*d.*

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R. O. 3. Rent roll of the late priory of Goryng.

Rents in Sowthmoreton, Berks; from Wm. Lever. From Edm. Asheffilde for the parsonage of Stawntonbarie, Bucks. Hungerford, Berks; from Thos. Tayler. Oxford; from the parsons of Tuffilde (*sic*) and Crowmershe. Rowlsham and Wyngrave, Bucks; from Wm. Stone. Ledall; from Walter Curson. Kyngyston Blownt; from Wm. Belson. Hamstede Norris, Berks, and Bisshopton, Bucks.

P. 1. *Long slip.*

19 Dec. **1099.** Bishopric of Ely.

See Grants in December, No. 19.

19 Dec. **1100.** Sir Res Manxell to Cromwell.

R. O. Begs the continuance of Cromwell's goodness. Sends a barren hind for Christmas. Morgan, 19 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, of the Council. *Endd.*

19 Dec. **1101.** The Council of the North to Cromwell.

Calig. B. III. 156. B.M. Sir Ralph Ellercar, Rob. Bowes, and Rob. Challoner have been at Carlisle, and with the aid of lord Scroope and Sir Thos. Wharton, have held a general sessions of *oyer determiner* and gaol delivery. Two prisoners were condemned for high treason for bruiting that the commons were up in the South, the one Sir Ric. Howthwaite, subprior of Carlisle, the other John Humfrey, lately accused to Cromwell by Sir Thomas Wentworth of the same offence; Nicholas Watche for coining groats and half groats; seven for theft. Enclose a letter they have received from Sir Reynold Carnaby of the "attemptates" committed by the Scots of Liddisdale, in breaking the gaol of Hexham and their rescue of a priest of Chichester named Sir Rob. More. He had not been two hours in prison at Hexham when the attemptate was made, as shown by the examination of Lewis Ogle. Send also three books with which he was apprehended, and by which, even if he have changed his name, he may be identified. Sir Rauff Ellercar will be at the Court two days after Christmas. York, 19 Dec. *Signed:* "Robt. Landaffe, T. Magnus, Rauff Ellerkar younger k., Thomas Fairfax, Will'm Babthorp, Rob. Chaloner, Jo. Uvedale."

P.S.—Enclose letters received from my lord of Westmoreland of the late outrage. Westmoreland, Sir Thos. Tempest, and Ric. Bellises are authorised to examine all persons implicated by the examination of Lewis Ogle.

Pp. 3. *Add.:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 Dec. **1102.** Francis Earl of Shrewsbury to John Scudamore.

Add. MS. 11,042, f. 96. B.M. I have received your letter of the 15th inst. advising me to cause some of my servants to enclose my farm of Brynsholme and see it kept until my cattle be put in again; but at your late being at Roucetter I sent my servant, Thurstan Wodcok, to put in my cattle again, and he was extremely denied by Edw. Draycote's servants, and I would rather suffer wrong than that my servants should attempt anything otherwise than may stand with the King's peace and laws. I pray you, before your coming to London, according to Mr. Chancellor's letter, to put me in possession again, by my servant James Rolston, who shall see to your costs and charges. Chelsey, 20 Dec. *Signed.*

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20 Dec. **1103.** CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL.

R. O. Inventory of the parcels of gold, silver, relics, ornaments, and other jewels taken from the shrine of the cathedral church of Chichester, Friday, 20 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII., by Will. Goryng, knt., and Will. Erneley, commissioners to take down the shrine.

In a ship coffer 55 images of silver and gilt. "In a long coffin, wherein bishop Richard's bones were," 57 pieces of silver and gilt. Three other coffers full of broken silver. "A cover with three locks that was delivered by the dean and archdeacon with relics and other jewels, parcel of the said shrine." In a little box 31 rings with stones, and three other jewels. In a casket 51 jewels set with stones and pearls.

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20 Dec. **1104.** SIR THOMAS HENNEGE.

R. O. Account of payments for my master, Sir Thos. Hennege, for wine, fish, soap, and other stores, and for carriage of wine sent as a present by Mr. Morese. Dated at head 24 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII., but with special entries referring to Easter Even and 9 May 30 Hen. VIII. relating to spices sent to Molsey; two hogsheads of wine are also mentioned as sent to Windsor.

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* Sir Thos. Hennege, knight.

R. O. 2. A similar account, dated at the head 20 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII., including trenchers, napkins, towels and charges for a patent "of certain lands purchased by my master," viz., fees for the signet and privy seal, great seal, silk lace, green wax, for the writing and enrolling, for drawing the great letters, and for the examination thereof, in all 15*l.* 4*s.* The further dates in this account range from 31 to 34 Hen. VIII., and include a reward "to one that brought a chest with harness when my master was in the North country at Bartilmewetide anno 34."

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R. O. 3. Bill headed "Mayster Hennych," for 23 pairs of shoes and buskins for "my master," "youre boye," and "your man Harry," from 4 Jan. to 22 March. Total, 26*s.* 5*d.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* Thomas Hennege, junior.

20 Dec. **1105.** NORTH ALLERTON, WHITE FRIARS.

R. O. Surrender (by Wm. Homefraye, prior, and the convent) of the priory
Rymer, XIV. 623. and all its possessions in England and the Marches thereof and elsewhere. 20 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Wm. Umefray, prior, *five priests, and five novices.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II., 33.]

Seal broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 66] without mem. of acknowledgment.

20 Dec. **1106.** NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

Add. Ch. 866. B. M. Lease by Edm. Knevet, late serjeant-porter to the King, to Rob. Gylby, of Mych Okeley, Northt., yeoman, of certain lands in Much and Little Weldon, Northt., for 20 years. Dated 20 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Sealed.*

Parchment, with seal appended.

20 Dec. **1107.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Please favour my friend Mr. Edward Littilton in his suit for the monastery of Hagmont, whereof I was ignorant when I wrote you of late in favour of Richard Lee for the same. On Wednesday last I set forth my

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deer to be conveyed to the King's Grace to the number of 26; there was never such a drove seen. I trust to hear of [your] Lordship in my own matters shortly. 20 December, Scrosb[ury].

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Bp. of Chester.

20 Dec. **1108.** Creation of Cardinals.

Add. MS. 26,837, f 32d. B. M.

Decreta Consistorialia.

Note that on 20 Dec. 1538 the Pope released John de Toledo, of the Order of Preachers, bishop of Burgos, Peter de Manriquez, bishop of Cordova, Robert de Leno[n]court, bishop of Chalons-sur-Marne (*Catalaunum*), and David the Scot,* bp. of Mirepoix, from their churches, and raised them to the dignity of Cardinals. He further reserved *in pectore* a Cardinal at the request of the French king, and another at that of the Venetians if they should ask it, for whom he took the votes of the Cardinals.

Lat., modern copy, p. 1.

20 Dec. **1109.** Cardinal Carpi to [James V.]

Royal MS. 18 B. vi. 52b. B. M.

Wrote lately the Pope's wishes about Scotch affairs, and, having heard that George Hay had arrived at the coast, supposes the King has received his letters.

His Holiness has today promoted the bp. of Mirepoix to the Cardinalate. Expresses his gratitude to the King. Rome, 20 Dec. 1538.

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1110. Instructions to Card. Pole.

Poli Epp. ii. cclxxix.

First, to bless his Majesty [the Emperor] in the Pope's name, and then to explain the causes of his going to him and the French king, owing to the impiety and ferocity of the king of England. Then to persuade his Majesty to undertake the reduction of that realm to the true religion, and no longer suffer that King with impunity to rage against God and the saints hitherto worshipped by him and all the realm. In this he will be guided by the Pope, who, to show other princes the way, has published a bull, &c. He will have the king of Scotland and this new Scotch Cardinal,* a man of great power and authority in those parts. Therefore let commerce be prohibited, and let nothing which may pertain to this be omitted. And since the expedition which is preparing against the Turks is an obstacle to this reduction of England, and to the Council for the extirpation of heresy, &c., the Emperor must be persuaded that it is far better for the whole League (including the French king) to make a truce with the Turks, than, on account of the expedition against those Turks (which must be long, doubtful, and expensive), to lose the opportunity of successfully managing the matter of England and the Lutherans. Likewise to point out, what is very certain, that even if the war of the Turks were completely successful, the heretics, lest the League and the Emperor should harm them, will meanwhile (with the money of the king of England, which is very plentiful, and the German soldiery, which swarms with Lutherans) devastate the provinces whose guard is withdrawn for the Turkish war. To say, moreover, whatever else seems necessary.

Latin.

1111. The King's Body Guard.

Harl 6807, f. 25 B. M.

"And like as the most noble and memory worthy King, Henry the vij., for the better furnishment of his house, first stablished and ordained

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1111. THE KING'S BODY GUARD—*cont.*

the yeomen of his Guard in their livery coats to wait upon his Grace in his chamber, to the great setting forth and honour of his house," so as those now in the King's service having fee and office are continually absent on their own business, it is thought that his Grace should appoint 100 gentlemen waiting upon him with one captain, and that they should wait in his chamber, and where the yeomen bear bills or halberds the gentlemen might bear pole-axes, and go before the King when he goes to mass or evensong, &c. The order to be put in a book with the checks of their defaults and absences, &c. Allowances 10*l.* a year each for meat and drink. Livery gowns of silk twice a year, &c. Average total cost for each gentleman 50*l.* In all 5,000*l.*

Pp. 2. *Endd:* An order taken for 100 gentlemen to wait upon the King's Highness.

21 Dec. **1112.** JOHN HUSEE to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

This day your annuity is past the signet and privy seal, and is directed to the chancellor of Augmentations. It was the King's pleasure that the said 200*l.* a year should be paid by the treasurer of the Augmentations, and therefore we must have the great seal of the Augmentations and not the broad seal of England. I trust to have the patent out before Christmas. If not, we must tarry till after these holy days, because the chancellor of the Augmentations is going into the country. I pray God send me little to do in that Court! Meanwhile send your acquittance to Mr. Thomas Pope, esquire, treasurer of the Augmentations, for discharge of the 50*l.* due at Christmas, and I trust to get the money and pay the draper. Send this with the first, and further write him some gentle letter. Touching the Freres, I trust my Lord* will remember it this holydays. My lord Dalawar is discharged out of the Tower. London, 21 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais.

21 Dec. **1113.** [THE DUKE OF LORRAINE] to the QUEEN OF SCOTLAND.

Balcarres MS. II. 86. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Was very glad to have news of her by this gentleman of hers, who will tell her those of these parts. Wishes for some Scotch hackneys. Nancy, 21 Dec. *Signed:* Vostre humble oncle, Anth'e.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* M. le Duc de Lorraine.

21 Dec. **1114.** CARDINAL GHINUCCI to [JAMES V.].

Royal MS. 18 B. VI. f. 53. B. M.

Before receiving James's letters, had used his influence with the Pope for the promotion of the bp. of Mirepoix to the Cardinalate. This the Pope was willing to do on account of James' deserts, and all others equally consented. Rome, 21 Dec. 1538.

Copy. Lat., p. 1.

21 Dec. **1115.** CARDINAL SYMONETTA to [JAMES V.].

Royal MS. 18 B. VI. 53. B. M.

Complied with the request in James' letters, that he should assist in procuring the Cardinalate for the bp. of Mirepoix. The promotion was notified on 20 Dec. Rome, 21 Dec. 1538.

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21 Dec. **1116.** SILVESTER DARIUS to [JAMES V.].

Royal MS. 18 B..VI. 53 *b.* B. M.

Informs him of the promotion of David Beton, bp. of Mirepoix and coadjutor of St. Andrews, to the Cardinalate. Every one is pleased at his promotion. Ghinucci and Darius did what they could in his favour. Rome, 21 Dec. 1538.

Copy. Lat. p. 1.

22 Dec. **1117.** LORD DE LA WARR.

Close Roll 30 Hen. VIII. *p.* 2, *m.* 19*d.*

Recognisance given by Sir Thomas West, lord La Ware, by which he and Thomas duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Rob. earl of Sussex, Sir John Dudley, Sir Owen West, Sir Will. Gowrynge, Geo. Blunt, and John Guldyfford stand severally bound to the King in 3,000*l.* for his personal appearance before the King and Council when called on, within a year of date. Westm., 22 Dec.

Cancelled by warrant to Sir Chr. Hales, M.R.

22 Dec. **1118.** The DUKE OF SUFFOLK and WILLIAM WHORWOOD.

Close Roll 30 Hen. VIII., p. 2, No. 30.

Grant by Charles duke of Suffolk to Will. Whorwod, solicitor-general, and Margaret his wife, of the manor of Brome, Staff., with all his lands there and in Kydermyster, Worc., which he has of the King's gift: to hold to the said William and Margaret and the heirs of the body of the said William; with remainder in default of issue to Will. Whorwod, one of the sons of John Whorwod, elder brother of the aforesaid William, and the heirs male of his body; with remainder in default of issue to the heirs of the body of John Whorwood, deceased, father of the said William. Tenure by fealty and a rent of 7*s.* a year to the Duke and his heirs. John Yarde and Roger Fowke to be the Duke's attorneys. 22 Dec., 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged by the Duke in Chancery the same day.

22 Dec. **1119.** The DUKE OF SUFFOLK and EDMUND PEKHAM.

Close Roll 30 Hen. VIII., p. 2, No. 36.

Grant by Charles duke of Suffolk to Edmund Pekham and Anne his wife in fee simple (in fulfilment of a bargain and sale by indenture* 21 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.) of the manor or lordship of Stewcley *alias* Stewkeley, and the farm or grange called Stewcley graunge belonging to the late monastery of Woburn; and also of the farm of Swynford in Comnor, Berks, belonging to the late monastery of Abingdon, with the ferry in Comnor and houses thereto belonging, and the fishery of the water; which premises he had by grant from the King. Constitutes Rob. Tatton and Ric. Smyth, yeoman, his attorneys. Dated 22 Dec., 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged by the Duke in Chancery the same day.

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2. Acquittance given by the Duke to Pekham for 540*l.* 5*s.*, being the purchase money of the above. 21 Dec., 30 Hen. VIII.

Acknowledged by the Duke in Chancery, 22 Dec.

22 Dec. **1120.** CASTILLON to MONTMORENCY.

Add. MS. 33,514, f. 7. B. M. Ribier I. 333.

The king of England is now as gentle and gracious as formerly he was haughty and proud. Yesterday he sent for me and I remained alone in a gallery with him three good hours. He commenced *to wheedle me*, saying his inclination to the King his brother is so great that, as he has recently told me by his Council, he would be very sorry to attempt anything to his disadvantage, and therefore he gives up the marriage of Dom Louys of Portugal with his daughter Mary, and will no more of it, whatever

* This indenture is also enrolled No. 35 on roll.

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1120. CASTILLON to MORTMORENCY—*cont.*

condition the Emperor may offer. This he said in order that if the Emperor does not deliver Milan to the King, *as he is quite certain the Emperor will not*, the cause may not be imputed to him (Henry). *He prays me, however, not to write this last article*, as he does not wish to put suspicion between the King and the Emperor; but as he has always been accustomed *to converse familiarly* (*de deviser privément*) *with me, he wishes to assure me that he* (*the Emperor*) *will never deliver it, and, as he has always thought me his friend and a man of understanding*, he wishes to declare to me where he means to marry his said daughter, viz., to some prince of Italy. He gave two reasons for this; one, because most of them *are never friends of the bishops of Rome, and if one of them were assisted by him, M. le Pape* would not do altogether as he liked; the other, that if he had a good alliance in Italy it might assist Francis in his right to Milan. "*Reguardes, s'il vous plaist s'il a bien des minimes en la teste.*" *The first step would be to send his Order to some one; but he does not yet know to whom, for he must first understand that he is a good enemy to the Pope.* The son of the duke of Ferrara is very young; the son of the duke of Urbino is one of the most honest princes in Italy; he knows not the age of the duke of Mantua's son. *I think he knows still less* "*ce qu'il doit faire ne devenir.*" He wishes to remain the King's friend, not for the profit, but for the inclination and the great familiarity (*privauté*) between them. He repeated two or three times "que ce nestoit point pour le profict. *Si j'eusse eu charge de parler, j'eusse voluntiers respondu 'Je ne scay que vous entendes de profit; si, nous vendes vous vostre amytie bien chier.' Et eusse bien pour se* (sic) *de moy mesme scavoir s'il ne vouldroyt point quicter sa pension, car a mon advis qui la vouldra avoir par gracieusete il en est maintenant saison. Toutes foys vous congnoysses le personnage, qui vouldrayt encontinent entrer en grandes conditions et mettre chascun en souspecon sans qu'on en tire jamais resolution.* Mais je me suis teu de cela jusques à ce que le Roy ou vous m'ayez instruict." It would be too long to report at length some other talk, *extravagant and ill-founded enough, which showed pretty clearly that he has not found on the part of the Emperor the fine things he formerly told me of.*

The gentleman* whom he sent to the Emperor about the marriages has returned "*assez mal satisfait.*" He, however, says the practice of his marriage with the duchess of Milan still continues, and the Emperor has charged the queen of Hungary to conclude it. A gentleman is to come from the Emperor with ample power for this; *but I know he would willingly return to marry Mademoiselle de Guise. If you think the King and Emperor should have the pastime of seeing him thus "virolin virolant," I can easily get it up, provided a little good cheer is made to his ambassador, and that M. le Cardinal or M. de Guise caress him a little.* Tell me how to act, *in jest or in earnest, for he considers the King ought to be grateful to him* for his good will, *which he declares so affectionately. I speak of it sometimes to the Emperor's ambassador as he does to me, not altogether without laughter. See how the king of England says honestly to me, Pardon me if I have not been the King's friend in his affairs as I ought to be, and if I see things going otherwise than I expected.*

"Il n'est rien survenu de nouveau depuis mes dernières lettres sinon que *le Roy ne scait a qui se prendre qu'il ne pas tousjours bien scet entretenir l'amytyé du Roy. Il a chassé Briant hors de la Chambre, qui entroyt a ses affaires, pour les folles qu'il escripvoyt avres apoir perdu son argent quand vous estes assemblés en Provence, et n'est pas bien content de Bron, qui ne faict qu'aygrir les choses a son dernier voyage.* Je n'escriz point au Roy de

* Philip Hoby.

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peur de l'ennuyer, pour ce que le Roy son frere m'a dict qu'il avoit esté mal disposé. Il faict a ce Noel cent gentilz hommes ordinaires de sa maison qui entretiendront chacun troys chevaulx, et leur baille, a ce que j'entendz, à chacun deux cens escuz de gaiges, et bouche a court. Il y en aura tousjours cinquante residentz."

Begs for a speedy answer whether he is to be recalled or not. London, 22 Dec. 1538.

French, with parts in cipher, partly deciphered in Ribier. Some passages not printed in Ribier are here given in extenso. Add.: Monseigneur de Montmorency, Connestable, Grand Maistre, et premier baron de France.

22 Dec. **1121.** WILLIAM BASYNGE, Prior of Winchester, to CROMWELL.

R. O. By Basynge's servant, the bearer, Cromwell shall receive 50*l.* Praying Cromwell to accept the same till Hilary term next, when he will send his duty and payment to the King and 50*l.* more to Cromwell. Winchester, 22 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

22 Dec. **1122.** JOHN SMYTHE to FRANCIS CAVE.

Cleop. iv. 216**. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 150.

Received his letter on Wednesday last, and as to the priory of Lawnd, has caused two honest persons to review the demesnes, which, along with Whatboro (Whadborough) Field were wont to keep this time of year 2,000 sheep, though there are now scant 500, of which he supposes the one half of them be not the prior's. And whereas the prior used to keep on his commons in Loddyngton Field 500 sheep, there is at this day not one. Neither is there at Frisby, where he used to have a flock. All fat "beys," except a very few for the house, are sold, and much of the stuff conveyed away before the prior's last going to London. Cannot find, however, that he has made away with any cattle since his coming home, except certain milch kye and one bull, which he caused to be conveyed the night he came from London to Loddington. The prior told him he had made away the plate a good while ago, in hope to redeem his house, except the jewels and plate of the church, which still remain. He had given away several of his horses to his servants. No leases have been made out of the demesnes except tithes, but some of certain closes and mills at Loddington were granted conditionally before the prior's going to London. Knows the prior has been in hand with his brethren since his coming home, to have a lease sealed of all his purchased land in Alstyd, &c. Withcoke, 22 Dec.

Added on back: Sir, because the prior is my neighbour and has ever been kind to me, I pray you be good to him and his canons.

Hol. p. 1. *Add.:* Dr. Cave in Pater Noster Roo, nygh Poolles in London. *Endd.*

1123. THE PRIOR OF LAUNDE.

R. O. Goods of the prior of Launde, which he desires to have by the King's favour of the King and of my lord Privy Seal.

Twenty-two items. Among them is a pair of organs, certain stone with which he had intended to build a chapel for the late King and Queen and the present King and himself, the tombstone he had bought for himself, certain cattle and pasture for them in Watborough fields, and that he may live with his kinsman and kinswoman in the parsonage of Frisbie, and have the rent thereof and of the water mill there in part payment of his pension of 14*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

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1123. The Prior of Launde—*cont.*

ii. Names of those who desire my Lord's favour for the assignment of their pensions :—

John Lancastre, prior; William Stokfaston, subprior, *alias* Beyrege; John Lodyngton, cellarer, *alias* Atkyns; Thos. Metburne, sexton, *alias* Bowman; Wm. Alderwas, chaunter, *alias* Bayly; Wm. Houghton, subcellarer, *alias* Worthe; Wm. Leyceter, petitioner, *alias* Barton; Hugh Halsted, subchaunter, *alias* Hely; Thos. Bowrow, fraterer, *alias* Palmer; Robt. Lyddyngton *alias* Barret; Rayf Wolston *alias* Coke; Thos. Frisbie *alias* Sotherey; Thos. Hughet, late canon at Kirkby Bellers.

A paper roll of two sheets, one sheet written on both sides.

22 Dec. R. O. **1124.** Wriothesley to Cromwell.

Is waxing strong upon his fever. Is told by physicians "that nothing doth more conduce to the expulsing of him than mirth and a discharging of the mind of cures and thoughts." Therefore leaves all studies as much as he can, [consistently] with the duty of his office. The news that he hears from England have so lightened his "swollen stomach" that he accounts them the chief medicines he has received. How joyful tidings must it be to all Englishmen to know that such great traitors* have been punished, and their attempts frustrated, and that the King "woll out of hand thorough with his spears and many other good purposes." Prays that this is as true as the other. If the spears shall indeed forward, asks him to remember the two Palmers here. He of Calais would be glad to leave his room for one of those places, and he that is Cromwell's servant is as pretty a fellow for such purpose as can be. Is much beholden to both of them.

These folks remain in sleep ever since the despatch of the last letters by Fraunces, saving that the Duke† sends oft to know how I do, and within these two days has sent me two puncheons of wine. Great suit is made by some of Hutton's creditors to have his goods cried in open market, and his wife put under arrest to make further satisfaction, but he has spoken to the Queen and Council about it, so that he thinks they will not grant it. Has offered that the goods shall be sold, if they will let them be praised in a house by commissioners, some to be English, and allow his wife to depart with her garments. Thinks they will grant this, as he was ambassador here, and because some of the creditors are Englishmen, who will be half undone by this bargain. Knowing that they lent him much in consequence of his office, has promised to be suitor for some licence to help them. Brussels, 22 Dec.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

22 Dec. R. O. **1125.** France and Portugal.

Mandate of Francis I. to the president of the parliament of Rouen and others to forbid French subjects sailing to Bresy (Brazil) or Malaguete (Malacca), in consequence of a remonstrance of the Portuguese ambassador. St. Germain en Lay, 22 Dec. 1538, 24 Fras. I.

Copy. Fr., pp. 2. *Endd. by Cecil.*

[22 Dec.]‡ Add. MS., 28,590, f. 344. B.M. **1126.** Charles V. and Francis I.

Reply given (by the Emperor) to Brissac who came from the French king, upon the proposed marriages of his master's children with those of the Emperor. Addressed to Tarbes and Brissac.

Spanish. Headed: Francia. *Modern copy from Simancas, pp.* 6.

* Exeter, Montague, and the others. † Arschot.

‡ *See* Spanish Calendar, VI. i. 100.

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23 Dec. **1127.** HENRY VIII. to WRIOTHESLEY, VAUGHAN, and CARNE.

R. O. St. P. VIII., 111.

After long waiting to hear of their proceedings received their letters of Brussels, 16th inst., by the courier Francisco on the 20th. Approves of their remonstrances to the Queen Dowager touching the coldness shown on her side. Wonders her Council so much object to her giving the bill signed by her. Does not doubt their honour, but princes must be circumspect. Would be quite discouraged from treating further, but is loth, having gone so far, to leave off without any result. Commissioned Sir Thos. Wyatt and Philip Hoby, whom he dispatched thither for that purpose, to declare his goodwill to the Emperor, and Wriothesley and his colleagues are aware of their instructions. Hoby returned about the 17th inst. bearing the Emperor's answer, in which he acknowledged the King's goodwill, but said he could not determine at this time to give Milan to the Infant of Portugal, as it was not desirable to put the Frenchmen in despair of it. The Emperor wishes, therefore, to proceed upon the other marriage, unless Henry could devise some other conditions for the lady Mary. He wishes the Regent to proceed touching that of the duchess of Milan, and says she has sufficient commission for the assurance of the dowry. The King despatched the courier Nicholas to Wyatt on the 28th ult. with letters on these matters, but, as Hoby was far on his way home, has not yet received an answer. He was to declare to the Emperor that since he was so unwilling to give Milan to Don Ludovic, Henry would not press him, but was ready to treat for the marriage with the duchess of Milan, provided her dowry was sufficiently secured either on towns in the Low Countries or by surety of bankers. Expect his answer shortly, and that he will send more particular instructions to the Queen Regent. These points they must keep secret.

Meanwhile they must seek an audience with the Regent, and tell her that in consequence of the cold answer they received at first both from her and her deputies, as if they had known nothing of the offer made of Milan and the points conceded by Chapuys and Don Diego, the King had been forced to send Philip Hoby to the Emperor; who said that she was fully instructed of his whole mind; only, as for Milan, he could not dispose of it at present, but she was at liberty to proceed touching the alliance with the Duchess. That the King has since informed the Emperor that he does not mean to press him about Milan, but would be glad to have his advice how to bestow his daughter; but that they are commissioned to treat and conclude upon the marriage with the Duchess. They shall, therefore, urge her to be frank, and, if she be not disposed to use speed in the matter, tell her that as the Emperor affirms he has sent her full power to treat, we shall have cause to think that she is not well inclined to the amity. For the King is daily urged by his nobles to use short expedition in the determination of his marriage so as to secure the succession. If she say she is not disposed to use other frankness, they are to ask leave to return; but if she express her willingness to conclude, they are to urge speed and protest before a notary that as her power contains no authority of substitution, and she refuses the writing desired, the ambassadors, although they have the King's commission, intend that the King shall be no further bound than the others to observe their conclusions. With that protestation they shall proceed according to previous instructions without disclosing the King's expectation to have knowledge from thence. If in the end they will agree to no conclusion, then under colour of taking leave of their principal gentlemen, as De Beures and Berghes, they shall lament as of themselves the coldness they have met with, declaring the King had omitted no good office, and desiring them to bear witness that he was not to blame, so that it will not be strange if the King provide for himself otherwise. Also, on taking leave of the Duchess, they shall declare how earnestly the King desired to honour her by marriage if he had found reasonable conditions, but

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they lament to have been thwarted in such an object. Westm., 23 Dec. 30 Henry VIII.

Fair copy. Add. at the head.

R. O. 2. Modern copy of the preceding.

23 Dec. **1128.** DR. JOHN LONDON and DR. EDW. BASKERVYLE to SIR RIC. RICHE.

R. O. Dugd. Mon. v., p. 214.

I and Dr. Baskerfylde have taken the surrender of the abbess and convent of Delapray beside Northampton, where, though she had obtained the King's charter to continue, she most willingly surrendered. She is very sickly and aged and has been abbess over 30 years. Her house was so well ordered, notwithstanding the cost of obtaining the King's charter, that the goods and chattels sufficed to defray the debts. Assigned her a pension of 40*l.* and beg favour for her; "for surely she can not long enjoy this pension." Northampton, 23 Dec. *Signed.*

In London's hand, p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Chancellor of Augmentations.

R. O. 2. Pensions assigned to the abbess and sisters of Delapray beside Northampton, *i.e.* to Clemens Stocke, abbess, Eliz. Welshe, prioress, Marg. Stokk Emma Smyzth, Gracia Smyzth, Eliz. Nyztam, Eliz. Haywarde, Marg. Doydy and Dorothy Barnard. *Signed by Drs. London and Baskervyle.*

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23 Dec. **1129.** SIR THOS. WHARTON to CROMWELL.

Howard's Letters, 168.

On Wednesday, 11 Dec., Sir Ralf Ellercar, Robt. Powis, Robt. Challonner, Sir Thos. Curven, and Wharton were present at a gaol delivery at Carlisle. Nine persons suffered. The subprior of Carlisle and a man* of Skailkie (Scaleby) for high treason, upon words spoken, that the commons should rise in the South Country; a man† of Gillesland for counterfeiting coin, and the others for felony. Has also caused eight persons to be apprehended for felony, in which Lord Dacre assisted. Hears that Lord Maxwell came to the Scotch court on the 8th, the King being at Arbroathe with the abbot, between whom and Maxwell there is great displeasure.

Hears also that the king of Scots will be at Chelso on the East March on Jan. 15, and have a "justice in Heyre" at Gedworthe, for complaints against men of Tweedell, and then at the Armytage in Liddisdaill.

There is a ballad lately made in Scotland deriding Englishmen for living in the true Christian faith, which they take to be the contrary. Can send him a copy. Is told the bishops are the setters forth thereof. The West Marches are in due obedience and good order. Cokermouth Castle, 23 Dec. 1540‡ (*sic*).

Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

23 Dec. **1130.** ALEX. CARDINAL FARNESE to [JAMES V.].

Royal MS. 18 B. VI., 52. B. M.

Received the King's letters desiring him to use his influence with the Pope for the promotion of the bp. of Mirepoix (*Mirapicensem*) to the Cardinalate two days before he was promoted, and did what he could for him. Desires credence for Latinus Juvenalis. Rome, 10 Kal. Jan. 153 8.

Lat. Copy, p. 1.

24 Dec. **1131.** ROMNEY MARSH.

See GRANTS in DECEMBER, No. 31.

* John Humfrey. † Nicholas Watche.

‡ The Editor's heading to the letter gives the date as 23 Dec. 1545.

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24 Dec. **1132.** J. Barlo to Cromwell.

R. O. The privy seal that your Lordship commanded me to send to James Leche is served upon him by my servant, who had a long search for him in South Wales, when he was in Shropshire. My brother, the bp. of St. David's, begs your support against the canons there, who resist his attempts to reform them, and refuse to take him for the head of the chapter in the dean's room, notwithstanding their own acts at his installation, when they first gave him the bishop's stall in the choir, and then the dean's. They will not show their foundation, but say it was lost before their time. They say no bishop claimed such things before; which is true for their time, for "no bishop dwelt so long among them as my brother hath, and intendeth to do." They threaten to spend to their shirts in the quarrel, and my brother has no spare money. King's Langley. 24 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

24 Dec. **1133.** Latimer to Cromwell.

R. O. L.'s Remains, p. 412. His receipts since being bishop amount to 4,000*l.* and upwards. His firstfruits, reparations, and solutions of his debts to 1,700*l.* There remains in ready money at his last audit ending on Christmas even's even, 180*l.*, of which 105*l.* is payable for his tenths this year, 20*l.* goes to his New Year's Gift, so that he has left to keep Christmas and to come up 60*l.* All the rest is spent in household provisions for half a year and more, if he do not leave his diocese. Is more inclined to feed many grossly and necessarily than a few deliciously and voluptuously. Has not spent 20*s.* in plate and hangings. As to plate, his New Year's Gift does his need, with glass and byrrail, and he delights more to feed hungry bellies than clothe dead walls. Asks him to take this signification of his condition as a New Year's Gift. Another year it shall be better. Is within 40*l.* out of debt, and will be quite when the half year's rent is due. Asks what day "my brother suffragan," prior of Worcester,* is to preach before the King this Lent. Sub Natalem Christi, Hartl.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

24 Dec. **1134.** Sir Thomas Arundell to Cromwell.

R. O. I being by chance at my lord Chief Justice's house, one Thomas Rostall, serving-man, came to Shaftesbury and asked for me. Being informed that I was with my Lord, he asked the mayor to convey him to me, saying that he had matter to communicate that concerned treason. The mayor brought him to my Lord's house, where he informed us that while drinking in an ale-house at Sherborne in Dorset he heard certain persons say that the marquis of Exeter was in the Tower and likely to suffer death. Some then remarked it was well, if he were a traitor. To which Thomas Holman, tailor, of Sherborne, answered that Devonshire men and Cornish men would not suffer that. By my Lord's advice I took this Rostall with me to Sherborne and found the charge against Holman true by three witnesses and his own acknowledgment. Informed my lord Chief Justice, who advised me to send him to Dorchester gaol till your pleasure be known. Shafton, Christmas Eve. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

24 Dec. **1135.** Cardinal Carpi to [James V.].

Royal MS. 18 B. vi., 52. B. M. Wrote on 10 Kal. Jan., the day that the Pope promoted the cardinal of Scotland (Beton). The Pope is now sending one of his servants† with instructions to James. Rome, 24 Dec. 1538.

Lat. copy, p. 1.

* Henry Holbeach, appointed bp. of Bristol, suffragan to Latimer 22 March 1538. *See* Part I. No. 646 (2).

† Latino Juvenale.

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24 Dec. **1136.** [PAUL III.]

Barberini MS. lviij. 45, f. 87. Rome.

Heads of the instruction for Scotland [given] to Signor Latino Juvenale, 24 Dec. 1538.

First, to visit the King and Queen, and announce the promotion of the new cardinal of Mirepoix at the King's request, and then to present the biretta and hat to the new Cardinal. Then to speak with due warmth of the public cause of England, for which principally you are sent, showing how his Holiness is grieved to see the total ruin of such a kingdom, and how indignant he feels at the impiety [of that King]; showing his efforts with the Christian princes for the recovery of that realm, and the good inspiration the princes have not only to publish the bull which you carry, but to prohibit all commerce and intelligence. To make instance for the publication of the said bull in Scotland. Also, if occasion offers, to speak "della decima et de libri d'Anglia."

II. Instructions for France for the same, 1538.

To visit the King, the queen of Navarre, the princes, the card. of Lorraine, the Constable, and other lords, and give them the Pope's blessing, telling the Constable how readily the Pope has satisfied him in the promotion of the card. of Challens. To thank the King for the instance he has made to the Pope, both through the Nuncio and by M. de Grignan, about the affairs of England, not to suffer further the impiety and wickedness of that King; and to add that with the better hope of reducing that realm to the Church, his Holiness has made the bull which he now sends to be published. To say that the Emperor shows good intention of not only permitting the publication in his dominions and prohibiting commerce, but of ceasing all intelligence with the said King, who has become proud only because he sees how much he is esteemed.

To do his commission to the abp. of Milan.

That the Bible corruptly translated into English may either not be published or be burnt. To recommend the card. of England. To recommend the blind Scot to the new Cardinal.

Italian, pp. 3. *From a modern extract in R.O., headed as above.*

*** Another modern copy of § I. of the above, with some extracts from § II., taken from Urbin MS. 865 in the Vatican, is in R.O.

24 Dec. **1137.** SIEUR DE GRIGNAN, French Ambassador at Rome, to MONTMORENCY.

Ribier I. 335.

Hears that the marriage of duke Cosmo with the daughter of the viceroy of Naples is settled; which will break the Pope's design of giving him his niece.* Untrustworthy character of the card. of Carpy, who, it is said, is to be protector of Scotland, and to obtain for Nich. Raince the post of Scottish ambassador at Rome. Carpi never gives him any information, as cards. Trani, Campeggio, Rodolfi, Sanseverin and Ghinucci do. Ghinucci may be of great service, as he is on the high road to be Pope one day, being a man of wisdom and experience, and having no kinsmen of consequence (*parens d'estofe*),—a matter to which they attach much importance. Rome, 24 Dec. 1538.

French.

25 Dec. **1138.** JOHN BERNARD to LORD [LISLE].

R. O.

When I received money from you for my master at your last being in England, you promised to be good lord to me, and commanded me to send a kinsman of mine, for whom I sued to be in your service, to Calais. Asks for a protection for a friend of his. My cousin Gowgh will show you the whole matter. Greenwich, 25 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my Lord. *Endd.*

* His granddaughter, Vittoria Farnese, daughter of Pier Luigi.

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25 Dec. **1139.** WRIOTHESLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Having obtained an expedition for the praising of the late Mr. Hutton's goods, and for the distribution of them among his creditors, with a safe-conduct for his widow to return to England, has required the bearer, Mr. Palmer, to convey her to England, or at least to Calais, if she cannot travel so far, being sick. Asks Cromwell to favour Palmer if he waits upon him, as he is determined to do, if Wriothesley chance to be any longer "mortized" here. Will miss him greatly, both for lack of his company, as for his help in entertaining strangers, speaking well the French tongue, and in going on sundry messages. Brussels, 25 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Sealed.*

25 Dec. **1140.** THOS. KNIGHT to CROMWELL.

R. O. Whereas Cromwell commanded him to attend Mr. Wriothesley in this journey; makes profuse apologies for not having written. Did not like to trouble Cromwell with his unimportant letters, in the midst of Cromwell's cares against such "rank traitors* as of late appearing in their likeness have taken their reward," who, as the grass from the ground, had all their nourishment from the King, from whom their glory proceeded, "even as to the small star's light proceedeth from the sun alone." Mr. Wriothesley, whom God has marvellously preserved in this peril, speaks hourly of Cromwell's zeal for the common weal of the country. Brussels, 25 Dec.

Hol., pp. 6. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

26 Dec. **1141.** SIR CHR. HALES to CROMWELL.

R. O. On Christmas eve I received your Lordship's letters, with two bills, signed by the King, brought me by my wife's brother, your servant Nic. Caunton; the one for Romney Marsh, wherein his Highness has done a gracious deed for justice and the common weal, the other for myself to the comfort of me and my posterity. Your goodness is so great I cannot deserve it. Hakynton, St. Stephen's day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, keeper of the Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1142.** JOHN HALES to CROMWELL.

R. O. Desires Cromwell's favour for the mayor and city of Canterbury, that they may have the grant of the watermill and all messuages, lands, and rents within the city which belonged, of late, to the monastery of St. Austen's. A great part of their yearly charge used to be paid by victuallers and innholders, who made their gain out of the pilgrims which heretofore came to the said city, but do not now continue. It is like that they will not be able to pay their yearly charges without this grant. Canterbury, Thursday 26 December. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

26 Dec. **1143.** BISHOP ROLAND LEE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Where, at my being with your Majesty I moved the same for the late priory of St. Thomas,† I was minded to pay a certain sum as your Grace should determine. I am so much bound to your Majesty that I can crave no more; but being charged with eight poor children of my sister's, now fatherless and motherless, I am forced to show the truth. Scraysbury, 26 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

* Exeter, Montague, and the others.

† St. Thomas' priory, Stafford. *See* No. 634.

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26 Dec. **1144.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. I thank you for your pains with my friends such as Wm. Waghan, of Talgarth. My matter methinks does not take effect as we minded; I beg you help me to an end in it. I have written this letter to the King, copy enclosed, if you think good to deliver it. I trust of some grace on receipt of my present of deer, which has cost me over 40 marks. If I might have it for 40*l.* a year, or by yearly instalments, I am satisfied. Scroysbury, 26 December.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

II. Copy of his letter to the King enclosed, *p.* 1.

26 Dec. **1145.** Sir Thomas Wharton to Cromwell.

R. O. St. P. v. 144. Wrote last on 3* Dec., asking whether he should get and send up a ballad made in Scotland. Since them his "espial" Mungo Armstrong of Ledesdale has brought the ballad to Carlisle and, Wharton being at Cockermouth Castle, left a copy with John Thomson, "a right substantial man whom assuredly I trust, and occupieth the office of custom there under me, and now mayor of Carlisle." About 20 Nov. last a servant of lord Maxwell's brought a copy to his master's house and a copy was thence brought to Harmetage Tower in Ledesdale, where the espial got it. Other copies are spread along the Borders. The espial says it was devised by the bishops. Has sent two espials, Scotsmen, this Christmas to Edinburgh, where the King and many noblemen are. The West Marches of England, Scotland, and Ledesdale were never so quiet before, and never better redress for the few attemptates done. The King's castle of Cokermouth, 26 Dec.

Hol. Add. Lord Privy Seal. *Sealed. Endd.*

26 Dec. **1146.** Sir Reynold Carnaby to the Earl of Westmoreland and Sir Thomas Tempest.

R. O. In obedience to his Lordship's letter, dated St. Thomas the Apostle's day, sends with the bearer the four constables of Hexham and those who were warned to watch there the night the prison was broken. Sends also the names of the constables and watchmen and of two others called John Shawe and Wm. Clark because the sayings of some of the watchmen touch them. Ric. Yeldert of Nunyke and his wife shall be with you in all hast. Yeldert showed me that a man of Wolsyngham "conveyed the man† to him which was taken by certain of my servants, and one —— (*blank*) Yeldert of Corbrig came with him," who says the man was brought to him by Nic. Gastell, brewer, of Wollsyngham. Sends Yeldert of Corbrig also. Hexham, St. Stephen's day in the morning early.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Md. That this Friday, St. John's day in Christmas, anno 30mo, my Lord received this letter.

26 Dec. **1147.** Montmorency to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. III., 13. Adv. Lib. Edin. Could not allow the Sieur de Lassigny to leave, whom the King now sends to the king of Scotland, without one brief letter from him to assure her that she will always find him ready to serve her in whatever matters she pleases to commend him. S. Germain en Laye, 26 Dec. 1537.‡ *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A la Royne d'Escosse. *Endd.:* M. le Grand Maistre par le Sieur de Lassigny.

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* He should certainly have said 23d. *See* No. 1129.

† Robert More, in No. 1101.

‡ Probably an error for 1538. The date as written is impossible.

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26 Dec. **1148.** AGUILAR to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,590, f. 305. B. M.

Has received his letters of 29 Nov. Communicated to the Pope the reply, brought from Francis by Brisach, about the enterprise against the Turk and the marriages,† showing the cordiality that is still maintained.

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Spoke to the Pope before these *Quatuor Tempora* about the hats asked for by the Emperor, viz., for Burgos,‡ Cordova,§ Geneva,‖ and another *in pectore*. The Pope said Geneva was dead, and the other *in pectore* he had intended for the Emperor's old man. He would create the two first and, at the same time, M. de Xalon, for whom the French king sues at the instance of the cardinal of Lorraine, and the abbot Embrot (of Arbroath), a person of much learning and example, at the petition of the king of Scots, for the affairs of England, another at the suit of the Venetians, probably Bembo, and another whom his Holiness keeps *in petto* to be declared hereafter, viz., the Abp. of Milan. * * *

Spoke of the necessity of deferring the Council. The Pope replied he knew how occupied the Emperor was with the enterprise against the Turk; but he saw the sects of England and the Lutherans were every day extending and gaining strength, because lastly the legate, Card. of Brindisi, wrote that the dukes of Bavaria were beginning to allow the Lutheran preachers in their country (and communion in both kinds); and the only remedy was the Council, which the heretics are trying their hardest to frustrate.

His Holiness shows in all his conversation a strong desire to chastise the irreverence and extravagances of the king of England, and says he can find no better beginning than to deprive the English of commerce. This he has communicated to the French king, who approves the idea and will prohibit commerce in his kingdom if the Emperor will do the like in his. The Pope added that it touched the Emperor as much as himself to remedy "such great evils, murders, and martyrdoms as the said King daily executes upon the forsaken Christians of that unhappy realm"; and begged him for the love of God not to forget it. Replied praising his holy zeal and assuring him that the Emperor would have done much to remedy it had it not been for the war of France and the Turk, which was the most pressing danger; and that, with the desire of reducing that King and kingdom to the Faith, the Emperor had allowed the practices about the marriages.¶

The marriage of Mons. de Bandoma (Vendôme) with Victoria, sister of the Signor Octavio is broken off. Duke Cosmo. Exaction of the tithes of the Emperor's feudatories in Italy. The briefs of the crusade. Camarino. Philip Strocy to be put to death, as Don Juan de Luna can report. Italian news. What the Pope said as to the purchase of the 300,000 *scudi*, 53,000 down, and the matter of Roca Guillerma. Rome, 26 Dec. 1538.

P.S.—Duke Cosmo and the duke of Urbino.

Spanish. Headed: Answered from Toledo, 24 Jan. 1539. *Modern copy from Simancas, pp.* 55.

[27 Dec. ?] **1149.** T. SOULEMONT to CROMWELL.

R. O.

This present hour I have received a packet of letters from Mr. Wryothesley, two of them to your Lordship. He writes nothing to me as you shall see by my letters herewith.** They were conveyed hither by means of the Emperor's ambassador. Therefore I have thought with diligence to send them with this bearer. London, Friday, a little past 12 o'clock.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

† Of Francis I.'s children, Charles and Margaret, with Charles V.'s, Philip and Mary.

‡ Juan Alvarez de Toledo. § Pedro Manriques.

‖ Pierre de la Baume. The report of his death was erroneous and he was made Cardinal next year.

¶ Of Henry VIII. and of the Princess Mary.

** *See* No. 1097, which seems to have been enclosed in this letter.

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27 Dec. **1150.** JOHN BEAUMONT to [CROMWELL].

Cleop. E. iv. 216.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 251.

Has caused 20*l.* to be delivered to his fellow Thos. Avery to his Lordship's use. Would like to purchase or have in farm the demesne lands of Gracedieu, "which I am in possession of and my fellow Whalley together."* The earl of Huntingdon seeks to take the said abbey from him. Trusts only in Cromwell, for he is warned to wear a privy coat as the earl and his sons seek his life. Hopes Cromwell will take in good part his "inornate colleccyon of the kynges supremyty." Whellesborough, 27 Dec. *Signed.*

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27 Dec. **1151.** [LORD LISLE to CROMWELL.]

R. O.

Thanks him for his goodness to his wife and her son† when she was last in London, and for the bill for his annuity of 200*l.*, which the King has signed. Begs Cromwell to remember him for the Friars here. Has no news but that the people of Arde and the borders say that the French King will build Arde again. This town is well furnished with corn. Will certify what store there is before Shrovetide. It is cheap here. The dearest is not more than 6*s.* 2*d.* st. the quarter, according to Cromwell's appointment when Lord Lisle was last with him at Dover. Calais, 27 Dec.

Copy, p 1.

27 Dec. **1152.** ANTHOINE BRUSSET to LORD LISLE.

R. O.

Has received his letter of the 15th inst. in answer to his request touching "la wideage des grains." Has told his friends, who say that they can do without wheat or "soille" until examination has been made, but ask for 400 *rasiers* of *soucrion* and 200 *rasiers* of oats. Asks him to send a passport for them for the bearer that they may be taken out of the country before Twelfth Day or within a week after.

Sends a wild boar's head. Gravelinghes, 27 Dec. xxxviii. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Le Debitis de la ville de Callais.

28 Dec. **1153.** [DR. JOHN LONDON] ‡ to CROMWELL.

Cleop. E. iv. 208. B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 232.

Sends a poor token with good wishes for the new year. Sends also Cromwell's half-year's fee from him and his house. Will now execute Cromwell's commission in places where he has not been yet. Mr. Williams has no doubt informed him what they have done at Ensham and Notley and at the Crowche Friars at Newberye. Has done his best with the farmers of Ensham for Sir George Darcye, and hopes they will come to some good conclusion. Today the late abbot, they and London meet again. At Delapray by Northampton, has taken the surrender of the abbess, which he sends by bearer. She is a good aged woman, and lately had the King's charter for the continuance of her house, but she surrendered willingly. Has put Small, Mr. Hennage's kinsman, in possession. As she left the house in such good state, gave her the fourth part of the sheep, *i.e.*, 5 score, and certain grain and cattle.

Has also received the unwise letters written by the monks of the Charter House in Coventry. Trusts to accomplish Cromwell's pleasure there and at the priory. As Colme is so nigh to Coventry, and the abbot and all his friends at Cromwell's command, would be glad to go through with that house also. All the sort of them look daily for their departing and make their hands by leases, sales of wood, and of their plate. Supposes this abbot will leave his house and lands like an honest man, and Cromwell had better take the house while at the best. Has asked Mr. Thacker to learn Cromwell's pleasure in some things. Oxon, 28 Dec.

* Misread by Wright "to eethere." † John Bassett.

‡ The signature is lost, apparently from the lower margin having been cut.

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Has sent Cromwell "a coat of idolatry, with three frontlets." Reserves some other things, as two heads of St. Ursula, as there is no silver about them, till he get another head of hers, which he expects to find within 14 days.

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1154. Dr. John London to [Thomas Thacker ?].

Cleop. E. iv. 207.* B. M. Wright's Suppression of the Monasteries, 235.

Thanks him for the pains he has taken on his behalf. Begs him to deliver to my Lord* the surrenders he has sent up. Mr. Williams, who was in commission with him, has brought up the plate of Notley and Ensham. At the Crutched Friars, Newbery, was nothing but a poor chalice. The lands are worth 22*l.* a year, but all the goods not 6*l.*, the minister rewarded. At Delapray had two chalices and a pix; the house was prettily stored with cattle and corn. "Ye schall se me mak yow a praty bank by that tym I com next uppe." Please ascertain my Lord's will in the following matters. My Lord commanded me to put Mr. Lucy in possession of the Crutched Friars, Thelsford, but now writes to put Mr. Cheynye in. If he will let me go to Nuncotton or Stikkiswold nunneries in Lincolnshire, Mr. Cheyney may be served in some of them. If I am to do anything at Colme my Lord should send some one to receive the house to his use, the goods to be indifferently "praysed." He cannot have a more commodious house, and the longer he waits the worse it will be, as "they make their hands all they can that yet do remain not suppressed." When I am at Coventry I am but three miles from Colme. If my Lord has set his mind now on some other place, "then help Mr. Gregory or Mr. Richard may have it, for it is a thing to be taken."

Hol., p. 1.

28 Dec. **1155.** John Foster to Sir Thos. Seymour.

Royal MS. 7. C. xvi. 147. B. M.

Sends the state of the house of Romesey, according to his request. The house is out of debt. The plate and jewels are worth 300*l.* or more. Six bells are worth 100*l.* at least. The church is a great sumptuous thing, all of freestone and covered with lead, worth 300*l.* or 400*l.* or more.

Rents of the abbey of Romesey :—

Hants. — Lordship of Romesey, yearly value, 235*l.*; Ichynstoke, 28*l.* 9*s.* 0¾*d.*; Sydmanton, 30*l.* 12*s.*; Tyleshade, 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Dorset.*—Pewdell, 40*s.* *Glouc.*—Hownelacy, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Wilts.*—Asheton, Edyngton, 167*l.* 0*s.* 7¼*d.*

In answer to your letter by Mr. Flemynge, whether the abbess and nuns would be content to surrender their house, the truth is that, in consequence of the motion made by your kinswoman and other friends, they will be content to do you any pleasure, but they would be loath to trust to the commissioners' gentleness, as they hear that other houses have been straitly handled. Romesey, 28 Dec. *Signed.*

Names of the convent of Romesey :—

Eliz. Ryperose, abbess; Edith Banester, prioress; Katherine Waddam, sub-prioress; Jane Waddam, sexton; Alys Whyttynstall, Abell Howrelston, Jane Kersall, Agnes Pottenhall, Alys Gorphyer, Jane Clyfford, Anne Fox, Eliz. Hyll, Anne Butteler, Margyt Parkyns, Margyt Dolman, Jelyan More, Bone Pownde, Mawde Stronge, Mary Carell, Elysabeth Langryshe, Agnes Hall, Maryan Goddard, Alys Stanle, Katheryn Westwode, Avys Edmondes, Agnes Harvy.

Pp. 2. *Add.:* To, etc., Sir Thos. Seymour of the King's Privy Chamber. *Endd.*

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28 Dec. **1156.** RALPH EARL OF WESTMORELAND, SIR THOMAS TEMPEST, and RIC. BELASSEZ to the PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL IN THE NORTH.

R. O. Have examined the constables and watchmen of Hexham touching the breaking of the prison there. Enclose certain articles of their sayings. "Master Tempest and I" sent to Sir Reynold Carnaby to send Yeldert of Nynyke and his wife, but they are not yet come. I send Carnaby's letter with another within it which he lately sent to me. Brauncepeth, Childermas Day.

We send you Lewys Ogle, under bailiff of Hexham, with these letters, that ye may perceive the "negligent misdemeanour of Sir Reynold Carnaby and him as appeareth in thartiсles." *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* My lord of Westmerland and other to my lord President in the North.

28 Dec. **1157.** [WRIOTHESLEY] to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VIII. 118. This Saturday, 28 Dec., at 9 a.m., he and his colleagues received the King's and Cromwell's letters by Francisco. Will, as directed, procure access as soon as they can; but that will not be for four days, for the Queen is this morning gone hunting and will not return till New Year's even. Complains of the Queen's coldness. Would have hoped to do something if they might have concluded the second marriage of the Duchess without the straiter amity and the point of notary; "for [of likelihood] we shall by these come to stay Bayarde as we have done before." Princes, except for great advantages, are hardly brought to make confession before notaries. As to the straiter amity, have had answer already but will do their best. Is getting better. Begs excuse for not writing more frequently. Intends making "some provision for vessel" out of regard to his master's honour, and trusts in Cromwell. "Our ships" that shall go hence to the Emperor cannot yet be despatched. They will have some ado to get the money unless they take it up of the bankers. The Gantoys, of whom they claim "contribution" for the last wars, will pay nothing, and Cromwell will have heard from Mr. Hoby that the commons of Spain refuse to pay a penny towards the Emperor's voyage unless he himself remain at home, which amounts to saying they will give nothing, knowing his determination to go in person. Brussels, 28 Dec. *Signature lost.*

Hol. Stained and mutilated. Add.: Lord Privy Seal.

29 Dec. **1158.** THOS. PRIOR OF CHRISTCHURCH, CANTERBURY, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends 20*l.* in gold to the King for a New Year's gift. Asks Cromwell to advise his servant how to deliver it. Sends also a poor token as a New Year's gift for Cromwell, and beseeches him to continue good Lord to him and his brethren. Canterbury, Sunday, 29 Dec. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

29 Dec. **1159.** THE BORDERS.

R. O. "The saying of Nichol Yeldart afore my Lord* and Sir Thomas Tempest, knight, on Sunday after Christmas Day, anno 30," viz.:—

That Nich. Gastell and a man† in white frieze coat came to his house in Corbreg when he was at dinner about 12 o'clock on Sunday, 8 Dec., and hired him for a groat to guide them to Chollerton, where they tarried all night in a butcher's house called John Wilson. On inquiring who the man

* The earl of Westmoreland. † Robert More, in No. 1101.

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was with the white frieze coat, was told he was an honest man and a "soothronn" man dwelling within 40 miles beyond London, called Thos. Dyksonn, who intended to go to a kinsman named John Robsonn, of Fawe Steyn. Being asked to conduct them further to Bretley (Birtley), declined for fear of sickness and robbery, but on Monday, 9 Dec., conducted them to Nynyke to the house of his kinsman Ric. Yeldart, whom they desired to convey Dyksonn to Fawesteyn, and so left him.

ii. The saying of Ric. Yeldart, of Nynyke, touching the arrival of the three at his house. He declined to conduct Dyksonn to Fawe Steyn, but allowed him to remain in his house till he got a guide, when he changed coats with Yeldart, who gave him 2*s.* besides and bought of him a little sword for 12*d.* When Yeldart asked why he changed his coat he said it was for safety going through the country, it was so good. He remained at deponent's house till night, when Sir Reynold Carnaby's servants arrested him and took his white frieze coat and his sword that he had changed and sold, with all he had before, refusing to repay the money to Ric. Yeldart. Sir Reynold's servant, John Riddley, came to him the same day and asked for one Wm. Smith, but he knew not where he was. Riddley then said, Go to John Heron's mother, of Thawle Barnys, and warn her keep in her cattle, for the outlaws and thieves would come in. Yeldart asked, Who bade you say so? and Riddley replied, Edward Charleton.

In the hand of Westmoreland's clerk, pp. 2. *Endd.*

[29]* Dec. **1160.** Lord Lisle to Cromwell.

R. O. There goes a bruit here of George Browne, master of the ordnance of this town, "how he doth meddle with great distillations. Whether he do meddle with multiplication or not I cannot tell, for I have not meddled with examination of him yet, because he is of alliance to Sir Anthony Browne." Asks whether he shall send him to England or have him examined at Calais. Calais, Sunday before New Year's Day. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd. Sealed.*

30 Dec. **1161.** Henry VIII. to Christian III.

Wegener, Aarsberetninger IV. 132. Thanks him for recovering the *George Mowdy*, of London, which was taken by Godischalcus Remlingrodt in English seas. Asks him to help the bearer in obtaining restitution. Greenwich, 30 Dec. 1538.

Lat. See Report XLV. of Deputy Keeper, App. II., 19.

30 Dec. **1162.** Castillon to Montmorency.

Ribier, I. 341. Negociates with the King of England according to instructions, as soberly as he can. People talk no more to him but of amity and living with the King "selon le temps," and he does the like. As to the marriage of Cleves, "il en a esté quelque chose;" but that was when "il pensoit estre preferé en amitié du costé du Roy pour tenir bon contre l'Empereur." Where he would now address himself is shown by Castillon's last letters. He said two days ago that the duke of Urbino's son was married, and that he would address himself to the duke of Mantua's brother. Certainly he and his "milord"† know not what to do. They are very busy putting order in their kingdom. He still has designs upon some who are so foolish either that they would rather die here than live in another kingdom or that they feel themselves innocent, and think people are only making believe to them (*qu'on leur fait à croire*). The best hope these people have is that the friendship of the King and Emperor will not last; and surely they will do all they can to break it, at any cost, as has been proposed in this Council.

* The exact day depends upon the year, which, however, is by no means certain. The date is not unlikely to be 31 Dec. 1536. Compare references to George Browne (unnamed, but referred to as Sir Anthony's brother) in May following (Vol. XII., Pt. I., Nos. 1239, 1266).

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1162. CASTILLON to MONTMORENCY—*cont.*

Apologises for giving an opinion, and goes on to explain that now is the time for Francis to gain more glory than any of his predecessors. This prince will always be seeking to break the amity, at present so great, between the King and the Emperor; and indeed in the hope of gaining this prince one or other of them might forget the amity. The time could not be more favourable, both on account of his inhuman cruelties to religion, which ought to make him the enemy of all Christians, and to take away a dangerous poison to the friendship of the King and Emperor, and to destroy those who formerly have done such harm to France—and would do again if they had the power, for there are no greater hypocrites (*plus feintes personnes*) in this world than he and his milord.

Thinks as they are in hand to forbid all commerce with the English, they should agree to get rid of them altogether, and deliver their kingdom as a prey. This would be easier and less costly than the taking of Calais, for the expense can only last a month or six weeks. True, there would be a fight, but it would be less dangerous than ever it was before; for the people are inconceivably discontented. Understands that it will not be a year before the King and Emperor meet, and the Constable might then or sooner induce them to this. What a glory it would be to them, whereas previous Kings and Constables have only chased the English out of France, to chase them out of their den of cruelty and heresy, to extirpate for ever the source of all the evils of France in times past. Make spoil of this country among you. From the Thames the coast adjoins Picardy, Normandy, and Brittany as far as Brest, and is furnished with good ports, a great necessity to France; and it contains Wales and Cornwall, natural enemies of the rest of England, and speaking a language which is French; for it is "Breton Bretonnant." The other side of the Thames likewise lies convenient for the Emperor, adjoining Holland and Zealand. Hand over to the king of Scots the North, which is his ancient right and heritage. And that our Holy Father be not forgotten, the whole will return to his obedience—an example to all who would separate from that obedience. Think what an opportunity it would be for the praise of God and for the promotion of friendship between Francis and the Emperor! If Montmorency approve this, suggests that the Pope should still for a time defer the sentence and prohibition of commerce, and that the gentleman who is to come hither both on the part of the King and on that of the Emperor should be stayed, lest these people take fright and see to their affairs too soon.

This King thinks it a good sign that Castillon's wife has come to him in England. He has sent them tapestry and furniture; for they are lodged in his house at Bridouel. Begs not to be left long here, and meanwhile wants money; for his court is like that of a great lord, and thronged both with men and women. If this King is to be entertained, his ambassador must receive favour; for none think so much of that as these people.

Formerly wrote that to bring this King to reason the Pope should interdict all commerce with these people, especially on the side of Flanders, and that nothing in the world could give him a greater alarm, or that the Pope, being with the Emperor, "nostre Saint Pere "luy donnast quelque venuë (*qu.* 'vue'?); nous en ferions apres ce qu'on voudroit. Si vous en avez les moyens, essayez les je vous supplie." London, 30 Dec. 1538.

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31 Dec. **1163.** CASTILLON to MONTMORENCY.

Add. MS. 33,514, f. 9. B. M. Ribier I. 350.

Since I wrote yesterday my lord Privy Seal sent for me to his lodging, and said he had letters from his master's ambassador in France, a modest and true ambassador, who wrote everything for the continuance of amity, and praised the good cheer made him, "me faisant ledict milord quelque

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demonstration que ceulx qui ont parcydevant autrement faict ne s'en trouveroient pas bien cy apres."* The substance of his discourse was that he himself had, at his own cost, got a Bible printed in English, and the printers have been cited and troubled by certain of the University of Paris, and the books arrested. He would pray the King and you (as it is the true text of the Bible, and could only be used by Englishmen) to permit its being printed in Paris; because the printing is finer there than elsewhere, and, with the great number of printers and abundance of paper, books are despatched sooner than in any other country. If the King will do this for him he hopes soon to do as much in return in some other way. If the King will not grant this, will he allow (as it seems he has already promised the ambassador) the books to be sent here as they are? He told me they cost him 600 marks, that is 3,600 *livres tournois*, and that his only object is to give them away. Moreover, he wishes the King to forbid, in his realm, people to speak against this King, of his heresy and inhumanities. As to heresy, God knows (he said) whether it is not to his praise; and as to those who have been punished by justice, he recounted the whole case. It seems that Card. Pole wrote to his brothers and the marquis of Exeter to dissemble and do nothing until he should come hither "faire un beau tour," and that their intention was to chase out the King; for the marquis was very powerful, and the two Montagues brothers of the said Cardinal. Young Pole has confessed all, and is still in the Tower; and they hope to learn more from him.

As to the first, I replied as I had done long before, and as you answered the English ambassador; and as to the inhumanity, "que tout procedoit de ce mesme lieu;" moreover, that our people had greater liberty of speaking than the English; that the King himself suffered them to say many things of him, and that it is very difficult to prevent talking in France, especially as the French and the English had not been friendly very long. He replied that that was true, and their ambassador wrote as much, but I might pray the King to prevent it as much as he could. And he was very friendly, asking me, knowing my good inclination to his master, that if I knew of anything which might engender displeasure between the Kings, I should tell him, and he would grant it. I think if I had mentioned the pension or anything greater he would have granted it. He said he hoped within a year to see the King and let him know the goodwill of the King his master. I thanked him, and even ventured to say "I wished to God this good will had been sooner shown here; for I never knew a prince more inclined to another than my master was to his." "Ah!" said he, "would to God! Those who are the cause [of hindering it] are indeed wretches (*bien malheureux*), that is M. de Wincestre, Briant and Bron. Ilz n'en sont pas quictes." "Et apres me presenta ung bouc chastré bien gras et bonne venoyson. Je vouldroys que le tenissiez enpastez à la mode de ce pays." *Montmorency may judge "ou ils en sont." Knows no more strange and hypocritical* (feinte) *persons than Cromwell and his master. In any case you can get rid of your pensions now if you will with little effort* †

Is anxious for an answer what to do, and how to entertain the English in their good will. London, 31 Dec 1538. *Signed.*

French, pp. 3. *Add.:* Monseigneur de Montmorency, Connestable, Grand Maistre et premier baron de France. *Corrections have been made in the MS. in a modern hand and passages for editorial reasons crossed out.*

* This clause has been scored out in a later hand, and is not printed in Ribier.
† This passage is deciphered in the margin of the original.

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31 Dec. **1164.** RURICUS, BP. OF DERRY, to PAUL III.

R. O. The king of England's deputy of Ireland and his adherents, refusing to recognise the Pope, burn houses, destroy churches, ravish maids, spoil and kill the innocent. They kill all priests who pray for the Pope, or compel them to erase his name from the canon, and torture preachers who do not repudiate his authority. It would fill a book to tell their cruelties. The four archbishops have withdrawn their obedience to Rome. The English have subdued nearly the whole of Ireland to their wicked laws. Requests authority to remove bishops and clergy from their benefices and put others in their places, and to reconcile and absolve schismatics, &c. Desires credence for the bearer, Roger Ospelan (O'Spellan), an honest and discreet monk. Derry, octaves of the Nativity of our Lord, 1538. *Signed.*

Lat. On vellum, with seal pendent.

[31 Dec.] **1165.** ANTHOINETTE DE SAVEUSES to LADY LISLE.

R. O. On St. Thomas' day, five days before Christmas, a servant of yours arrived in our monastery, who brought me "unge piechette dung eccu (?) dor prinze," but I received no writing from him. Although I cannot speak English and did not understand what your servant meant, I perceived by these tokens that you had returned from your voyage, and I thank God you have accomplished your object. Your last letter made mention of your departure and of the occasion of your undertaking a sea voyage in these terrible times of winter. Considering the wrong intended against your son,* and the danger to your tender and delicate person, I have continually commended your case to God. I had sent you letters written when I was very ill, otherwise I would not have delayed answering by your servant. I understood you wanted "i coifes v bonnes (*bonnets*) de nuit"; but I understand you want several dozens. For the present I cannot attend to it, but when I know for certain how many you want you shall have them briefly. I beg you to commend me to the Deputy and to accept my present of rude handiwork. Take what you please for yourself and of the rest make gifts to your children (*ettrinnes vos enfans*), Monsieur and Mesdemoiselles. Dunkirk, the last day of this month.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

31 Dec. **1166.** [JAMES V to PAUL III.]

Royal MS. 18 B. VI. 50 b. B. M. Desires the Pope to confer the deanery of Dumblane (when vacant by the appointment of Malcolm, late dean, to the priory of Whithern) on William Gordon, who is dear to the King for his virtues. Edinburgh, 31 Dec. 1538.

Lat., p. 1. *Copy.*

31 Dec. **1167.** JAMES V. to the CARDINAL OF CARPI.

Royal MS. 18 B. VI. 50. B.M. Writes to the Pope recommending Malcolm, dean of Dumblane, to the priory of Whithern. Desires the Cardinal's assistance in the said business, and wishes the deanery of Dumblane, when vacant, to be conferred on Wm. Gordon. Edinburgh, 31 Dec. 1538.

Lat., p. 1. *Copy.*

31 Dec. **1168.** EDWARD CARNE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his letter of the 23rd inst., sent by the courier Fraunces, who arrived here on the 28th. The Queen cannot treat about the charge last sent to them, until she has received more ample instructions

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from the Emperor. Cromwell will see more by their common letter. Is driven by very need to ask for more money. All that he had is gone, and a great deal more which he borrowed. Mr. Godsalfe will receive it for him. Brussells, 31 Dec. 1538.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

31 Dec. **1169.** STEPHEN VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Besides what they write to the King,* touching the answer made by the Queen to their last charge from his Highness, ventures to throw out a conjecture of his own. Considering how often the Emperor has said that he has sent the Queen sufficient power and instructions about the marriage with the duchess of Milan and the amity, which power and instructions the Queen confessed at their first repair she had received; while, on the other hand, at all the conferences with her and her deputies, they said they could not make answer till they heard from the Emperor; remembering also how long it is since the ambassadors had conference with her just after their arrival, when they made her clearly understand their purpose, and all this while, notwithstanding that Don Diego was soon after sent into Spain, she adheres to the same answer:—thinks they cannot be well minded. Whether they dally with us to avoid disbursing while the Emperor is put to so great charge preparing for this voyage to Constantinople, or whether for some other purpose I cannot tell. She says she has written to the Emperor and awaits an answer; but if the Emperor must be referred to on every such occasion the matter will be long protracted. Here she labours much to gather money in these Low Parts, "but she findeth hitherto no g . . . . The ships that wer[e ar]rested here to go to the Emperor I think will come late: they say here they will first be sure how they shall be paid." Brussels, 31 Dec.

Hol., pp. 2. *Slightly mutilated and gall stained. Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

31 Dec. **1170.** SIEUR [ANTHOINE] HELLIN, Ambassador in Flanders, to FRANCIS I.

Ribier, I. 352. Wrote on the 18th the Queen's final answer to the English ambassadors upon the affair of the alliances and marriages they sought. On the 20th the Queen heard Francis' despatch to the Emperor with great pleasure. Discussion of the affair of the county of St. Pol. Brussels, 31 Dec.

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— Dec. **1171.** HENRY VIII.

R. O Circular to the justices of the peace, thanking them for what they had
Burnet, VI. 223. done in execution of the King's previous letters directing them to see the King's supremacy set forth, to try out and hand over to condign punishment maintainers of the bishop of Rome's usurped authority and to punish spreaders of seditious rumours and expel and correct all vagabonds and valiant beggars; keeping watches for these purposes and ministering justice indifferently. Sundry of the justices have done their duty so well that the King's subject have not been disquieted for a long time, till now of late some ungracious persons have endeavoured to seduce them with lies and untrue rumours. Among these sundry parsons, vicars, and curates are chief, who "read so confusely, hemming, and hacking the Word of God,

* The joint letter which he signed along with Wriothesley and Carne was only completed next day (1 Jan. 1539) and the abstract of it is therefore deferred till next volume. It is printed in the State Papers, Vol. VIII., 120.

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and such our injunctions as we have lately set forth that almost no man can understand the true meaning of the said injunctions." They have also suborned certain spreaders of rumours to misinterpret those injunctions. For whereas it is ordained to avoid disputes touching ages, titles, or lineal descents, and whether any one was the King's born subject or not, that registers should be kept of all children christened, and of all marriages and burials, they have blown abroad that he intends to make new exactions at christenings, weddings, and burials, which he never intended to do; alleging "that therein we go about to take away the liberties of our realm, for conservation whereof they feign that bishop Becket of Canterbury, which they have tofore called Saint Thomas, died." Becket in fact only withstood Henry II. to prevent the clergy being called before the courts of the realm, though it was afterwards said to be for such liberties of the Church as he contended for during his life with the archbp. of York, chiefly to prevent any king of England being crowned except by the bps. of Canterbury, and that even if he were absent from the realm the King should await his return. These detestable liberties Becket traitorously demanded against the law of the realm. In addition to these perversions of the King's meaning, they have added false tales "for marking of catalles" and other seditious devices, by which the people were lately stirred to insurrection, which would have been the destruction of the country, but for the King's clemency, who might have destroyed them, their wives, and children by the sword. Yet "these miserable and papistical superstitious wretches" have raised anew the old rumours to promote a new commotion. You are therefore to use your utmost diligence to find out such cankered parsons, vicars, and curates, who do not substantially declare our injunctions, "but mumble them confusely, saying that they be compelled to read them, and bid their parishens nevertheless to do as they did in times past;" also to find out seditious tale tellers and commit them to prison without bail or mainprise till the arrival of the justices. You are also to communicate copies of these letters to the neighbouring justices of peace, exhorting them to help in putting them in execution. Hampton Court, — Dec. *Signed at the top with a stamp.*

Pp. 4. *Corrected.*

R. O. 2. Another copy signed with a stamp and dated like the preceding, with some further corrections.

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R. O. 3. Two other copies, unsigned and undated, but incorporating the corrections in § 2.

Pp. 5 *and* 16. *The second is endorsed:* Minute of the King's letters to the justices of the peax.

R. O. 4. Earlier draft of the first part of the circular, containing some parenthetical clauses not in the other copies.

Pp. 5.

Cleop. E. VI. 222, 224. B. M. 5. Two other copies, signed with a stamp, the first with corrections; both dated Hampton Court, —— (*blank*) Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 4 *and* 3.

— Dec. **1172.** NOTTINGHAMSHIRE and YORKSHIRE MONASTERIES.

R. O. "A brief certificate made upon the dissolution of divers monasteries and priories there surrendered in the months of November and December in the 30th year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King Henry the Eighth."

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The contents are set forth in columns under the heads: 1. Names of the houses with the names of the keepers. 2. Clear annual value. 3. Number of abbots and brethren with their pensions. 4. Clear money remaining of the lands. 5. "The stock, store, and domestical stuff there sold, with debts received." 6. "Rewards with the portions paid unto the abbots." 7. Remains of the price of goods and chattels. 8. Lead and bells remaining. 9. Woods and underwoods. 10. Plate and jewels.

The houses are Worksop priory (Earl of Shrewsbury); Austin Friars Tikehull (earl of Hampton, keeper); the Grey Friars, Doncaster (Thos. Wilborne, keeper); Monke Breton priory (Thos. Ellis); Austin Friars, Pountfret (the mayor, keeper); White Friars, York (Sir Geo. Lawson); Grey Friars, York (Tristram Teshe); Black Friars, York (Will. Blithman); Austin Friars, York (Sir Geo. Lawson); St. Andrew's, York (Ric. Gowthorp); Byland (Ric. Belassez); Ryvalx (Will. Blytheman); Kirkeham (Sir Henry Knevet); Ellerton (John Herbert). Total of second column, 1,922*l.* 7*s.* 6½*d.*

Signed: George Lawson—Rychard Belassez—Will'm Blithman—James Rokeby.

A broad sheet.

II. "The particularitees off plaite" in each house.

Another broad sheet.

Harl. MS. 604, f. 106. B.M. 2. A first draft of § 1, with two additional columns, showing the amount of debt owing to and by the different houses.
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Cleop. E. IV. 300. B. M. 3. Modern copy of § 2.
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— Dec. **1173.** KNARESBOROUGH PRIORY.

R. O. Rymer XIV. 622. Surrender of the house and all its possessions in co. York and elsewhere in England, Wales, Ireland, and the marches thereof. —— (*blank*) Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Thos. Kent, minister, *nine priests* (*one of whom signs with a mark*) *and one undescribed.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 25.]

Seal much broken.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll, p.* 5, *No.* 62] without mem of acknowledgment.

— Dec. **1174.** YARUM, BLACK FRIARS.

R. O. Rymer. XIV. 631. Surrender (by the prior or warden) of the house and all its possessions in England and the marches thereof.——(*blank*) Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Signed by* Miles Wylcok, prior, *five priests and six novices.* [*See* Deputy Keeper's Eighth Report, App. II. 50.]

Seal good.

Enrolled [*Cl. Roll. p.* 5, *No.* 81,] without any memorandum of acknowledgment.

1175. RIC. LAYTON, priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O. This morning [when I was] ready to depart towards Romesey in Hampshire, as commanded, the enclosed bill was brought to me by a man of Evysham, Worc., who told me that the "party thus offending with words" was set on the pillory and imprisoned. When you send down your commissioners for the suppression of Wynchcombe, Hailes, and Pershore, they may make a full report of the case. This Thursday in the morning. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.* A° XXX°.

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1176. The Marchioness of Exeter and the Countess of Salisbury.

R. O. "Please it your good lordship, this is to advertise you that I, Thomas Phyllipps, by reason that I am daily conversant with them that are pensive can no less do but utter the same to your honourable lordship." 1. The Lady Marquis fears she stands in the King's displeasure and so wants your favour. 2. She wants raiment and has no change but what your lordship commanded to be provided. 3. Her gentlewoman Mrs. Custanse has no change and that she has is sore worn. Another gentlewoman, Mr. Controller's maid, has been with her a whole year and she cannot even pay their wages. 4. Further, "the Lady Sallysbery maketh great moan for that she wanteth necessary apparel both for to change and also to keep her warm."

P. 1. *Endd.:* Remembrance for the Lady Marquis and others.

R. O. 2. Blank leaf endorsed "Concerning [my lady of] Sarum and [the Marquis]* of Exeter."

1177. Annes Dode to [Cromwell].

R. O. I thank you for the relief I and mine have had of your lordship's great charity. As you have been so busy that I could not speak with you, I write to desire your goodness for a farm that was my lady's of St. Ellen's at Waltamstow now in the hands of one Rowesley dwelling at the Three Swans in Bishopsgate Street, granted him by lease of my said lady not long afore her suppressing, with most part of her tenements. I have no living but what I had of your lordship's goodness. I spoke to Master Richard about it before the suppression, offering to buy it as it was so near London, and he always promised to speak for me. *Signs as* "Your poor widow and bedewoman."

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.:* A° xxx°.

1178. John Goodale to Cromwell.

R. O. Petitions Cromwell for his release from prison into which he was cast by the malice of papistical adversaries. Begs him to consider his pains in the last two parliaments in writing, speaking and spending his goods in "extirping" the bp. of Rome's "fucatid and usurpid" authority by which he has lost certain annuities and sustained divers imprisonments in the Fleet. His adversaries are incensed against him because of his industry in discharging his offices of under-sheriff, steward of leets, baily of liberties, and the like, as he was commanded in the King's proclamations dated 16 Nov.

P. 1. *Add. at the head:* lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1179. Sir Wm. Waldegrave to Cromwell.

R. O. "I have at the King's commandment and yours caused our service in English to be left, which was greatly against our minds, seeing it was so godly a hearing." Asks him to put the King in remembrance of him that he may have something given him one day. Has had great heartburning because of the setting forth of the King's injunctions in our parts.† One Wm. Syday, the lord Chancellor's servant, said it lacked a date and therefore stood to none effect. A chaplain of lady Waldegrave's, his grandmother, who is a Papist

* Or perhaps the Marchioness? The paper has the same water mark as the preceding but has certainly lain for a long time in a different place where it has been much injured by damp, a great part of it having been lost by decay.

† Sir William Waldegrave (or Walgrave) was in the commission of the peace for Suffolk. As to the service in English referred to in this letter, *see* Wriothesley's Chronicle, I., 83.

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and causes her to hold off from the truth, has in his Mass book daily this Thomas Beckett's name with all his pestiferous collects unrased, for all proclamations and injunctions; so that there is no punishment for such, "wherefore I fear the weed will overgrow the corn, for they say all things shall be as it hath been, and then all shall be nought again." Is suspected and dares not meddle without commandment from his lordship, for what he set forth is called in again. Both Cromwell and the lord Chancellor know it was done with much quietness and no man against it. "Now they say in their hother-mother I meddled more and I had thank for." Asks Cromwell to talk with this honest priest, curate of Bures.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1180. ANNE WESTON to LADY LISLE.

R. O. Is glad lady Lisle has escaped the great jeopardies of the sea and is safe come home again, after so merry a journey. Recommends, if lady Lisle wants a gentlewoman, the daughter of Chr. More, who is above 26 years of age, was brought up by lady Boser and has been with the writer three or four years. She left in consequence of a love affair with a servant of the writer's husband. She can do any manner of service, wait on lady Lisle or her daughters, and bring them up well and teach them good manners, or keep plate or napery. Sauttan.

Asks for an answer by the bearer.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

[Dec.] **1181.** A NEWS LETTER.

R. O. The Emperor is giving his daughter in marriage to the duke of Orleans, and a kingdom will be made of Milan, Piedmont, Ast, and Lombardy. The king of Navarre will remain "pasible de son royaume" and give his daughter to the son of the old duke of Savoy, and will be called the duke of Bourbon. The Pope has declared the king of England deprived of his kingdom, and it is given to the nearest Christian King, which is the King our lord (Francis I.), and of that kingdom the duke of Orleans will be King. The old duke of Savoy is cardinal and legate in France, and has a great pension from the King and the Emperor, and cannot fail to be Pope after the present one. The daughter of the king of Hungary, brother of the Emperor, will marry the son of the duke of Lorraine. The Pope's son has married the Emperor's bastard daughter, and will be King of Naples and lord of Bologna (Bouloigne). The Turk sends his son to France to be made a Christian, with most of his people.

Fr., p. 1. *Endd.* Touching the marriage of certain great princes.

1182. GRANTS in DECEMBER, 1538.

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1. Sir Thomas lord Audelay of Walden, lord Chancellor. To be *hâc vice* high steward of England for the trial of Henry marquis of Exeter and Henry lord Montague, the office being at present void. *Del.* . . . . . 1 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *See* No. 979.

2. *Leic.*—Commission to John Harryngton, John Beamond, Edw. Sapcotts, and Geo. Sherrerd to hold inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Walter Kebull. Westm., 1 Dec. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 5, *m.* 29*d.*

3. Sir Wm. lord Dacre, of Gylesland. Inspeximus and exemplification of—

I. A writ of certiorari, dated 29 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII., addressed to the Treasurer and Chamberlain, concerning the liberties of the hundred of Bradeford, Salop, which are in the custody of the said Treasurer and Chamberlain: with the endorsement of the writ.

II. The records of certain liberties belonging to the manor of Wemme in the hundred of Bradeford, Salop, viz.:—Placita de Juratis et Assisis before John de Berewyke and his associates, justices in eyre in co. Salop in the Octaves of St. Michael, 20 Edw. I. The jury say that Wm. the Boteler, who is under age and the King's ward, claims to have in his manor of Wemme a free court, assize of bread and beer, a gallows, a market on Sunday in every week, and a fair on the eve, day, and morrow of SS. Peter and Paul. Westm., 3 Dec. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

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4. Ric. Williams *alias* Crumwell. Grant, in fee (for 1,704*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*), of the manor of Brampton, Hunts, and all lands in Brampton, which came to the King's hands by the attainder of Sir John Hussey lord Hussey. Hampton Court, 26 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 12.

5. John Josselyn, gentleman of the King's pantry, and Anne his wife. Grant in survivorship of the tenement or messuage in the parish of Aylesbury, in the lordship of Walton, Bucks, in the King's hands because a certain Andrew Fyssher, a Scotchman, now deceased, acquired the same without licence. Hampton Court, 30 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 9.

6. Wymund Carewe. To be receiver general of the lands of the late Queen Jane. Hampton Court, 5 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 8, *m.* 4.

7. Thos. Horseman, one of the sewers of the King's chamber. Grant for life of the rent of 10*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*, at which the manor and demesne lands of Slefford, late of John late lord Hussey, attainted, were leased to him for 21 years by patent 17 May 30 Hen. VIII.; and of the reversion of the premises on expiration of the lease. Hampton Court, 4 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 10.

8. The Benedictine monastery of St. Peter and St. Hilda, Whitbye, Yorks. Assent to the election of Hen. Davell, prior there, as abbot, *vice* the last abbot resigned. Hampton Court, 9 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., same day.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 4. (*Rymer*, xiv., 599.)

9. Wm. Butte and Joan his wife, one of the four daughters and heirs of Hen. Bures, dec., s. and h. of Robt. Bures, likewise dec. Livery of lands, viz., of the said Joan's share in the possessions of the said Robt. and Henry, and of the possessions whereof Joan Bures, late wife of the said Robt., Anne Bures, late wife of the said Henry, Robt. Bucke and Joan his wife were severally seised by way of jointure or dower. Hampton Court, 6 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 5.

10. Edw. Leighton, clk., the King's chaplain. To be dean of the collegiate church of Stafford, Cov. and Lich. dioc., *vice* dom Thos. Parker, dec. Canterbury, 9 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11. Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 9.

11. Edw. Leighton, clk., S.T.B. Presentation to the canonry and prebend of Bonell in the collegiate church of Thamworth, Cov. and Lich. dioc., *vice* John Wylcokes, dec. *Del.* Westm., 11 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 25.

12. Ric. Lee and Margaret his wife. Grant in fee (for 808*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*), of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Sopwell, in the parish of St. Peter, in the town of St. Albans, Herts, with lands (specified) attached; to hold in as full manner as Joan Pygot, the late prioress; rent. 24*s.* 6*d.* by way of tenth. *Del.* Westm., 13 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 41.

13. The monastery of St. Peter and St. Hilda, Yorkshire. Restitution of temporalities, on the election of Hen. Davell, the prior, as abbot there, whose fealty is ordered to be taken by the prior of St. Mary's, Gysborowe: the election having been confirmed by Thos. Crumwell lord Crumwell, &c. Hampton Court, 9 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 4. (*Rymer*, Vol. xiv., 599.)

II. Petition for the above from the "prior or president" and the convent, dated Whitby, 23 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII.

14. Sir Edw. Baynton and dame Isabella his wife. Grant, in tail male of Sir Edward (on surrender of patent, 3 June, 16 Hen. VIII., granting him the warren of coneys in the park of Claryngdon *alias* Paunset for life at 100*s.* rent and 20*s.* increase) of the reversion and rent reserved upon a lease, to the said Sir Edward, by John the late abbot and the convent of St. Martin de Bello *alias* Batell, Sussex, by indenture 3 Dec. A. D. 1535, 27 Hen. VIII., of the manor of Bromeham Wilts., advowson of Bromeham church and manor of Clenche near Wyke, Wilts., with lands in Bromeham, Clenche, and Wyke, for 99 years, at 34*l.* rent payable at the household of the said abbey, in Southwark, Surrey. Sir Edward by deed inrolled in Chancery 11 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. demised his interest in the premises to his s. and h. apparent, Andrew Baynton.

The said rent and reversion to be held by the annual rent of 3*l.* 12*s.* *Del.* Westm. 15 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S. B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 42.

15. Wm. Peter, LL.D. and Gertrude his wife. Grant, in tail male of the house and site of the late priory of Clatercote, Oxon; the church, steeple and church, yard thereof, and all messuages, &c., within and without and near the said site in Clatercote and Cropredy, Oxon: the manors of Clatercote, Oxon, and Fenycompton, Warw., the rectory and advowson of the church and vicarage of Ratley, Warw., and all messuages, houses, &c., belonging to the said rectory and vicarage, and in Clatercote, Cropredie, Claydon, Banbury, Bodycote, Wardyngton and Molyngton, Oxon, Fenycompton, Shotteswell, Ratley, Molyngton, and Warmeleyton, Warw., and Apultre, Northt., or elsewhere in England, Wales and the marches thereof, which belonged to the said late priory, or which John the late prior held in right of the same, or the general master or prior of the order of

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St. Gilbert held, with tithes, &c. Annual value 34*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.*; annual rent 70*s.* by way of tenth. Hampton Court, 14 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 16 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 9.

16. Wm. Vaughan. To be chancellor and receiver (1) of the lordships of Brecon and "Haia Wallen" and, (2) of the lordships of Cantercelley, Penkelly and Alexanderston in South Wales, in the King's hands by the attainder of Edward late duke of Buckingham; with fees of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* respectively, and powers as enjoyed by Hugh Mervyn and Ll'n Vaughan ap Morgan ap David Game, the latter having surrendered his patent of 8 May, 20 Henry VIII. in order that this grant might be made. Hampton Court, 17 Dec., 30 Henry VIII. *No date of delivery.*—P.S. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII. p.* 8, *m.* 23.

Vacated on surrender, 7 July 38 Hen. VIII. in favour of Roger, son of the said William.

17. John Carre. To be keeper of the castle and manor of Werke upon Tweed, Northumb., with its gardens, meadows, &c., the rents called "Castell wardes" and all other profits. On surrender of patent 3 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII., granting the same office to Robt. Colyngwood during pleasure. Hampton Court, 12 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 Dec.—P.S. *Pat., p.* 6., *m.* 12.

18. Chas. duke of Suffolk. Grant in fee simple (in exchange for the honor of Eye *alias* Eya, and the manors and lordships of Eye, Westhorpe, Thorndon, Wyverston, Wattelesfeld *alias* Watffelde, Walysham *alias* Walsham, Hawghley *alias* Halley, Cretynge, Neddyng *alias* Negyng, Virles, Swanes, Saxmonden Merkett *alias* Saxmondeham, Cotton Hempnale, Syleham, Semours, Veles *alias* Veyles in Fresyngfelde, Cotton, Brysworth, Ketylbarston, Dagworth, Sorelles, Beklyng *alias* Bekkyns in Snape House in Alderton, Hurtys in Saxmunden *alias* Saxmondeham, Stratford juxta Higham, Wyngfelde *alias* Wynkfelde, Stradbroke *alias* Stratbroke, Huntyngfelde, Froscendon *alias* Frossendon, Benhall, Stratforde juxta Benhall, Laxfelde, Bedfelde, Okeholte, Fresyngfelde, and Stoke, Suff.; and Saxlyngham, Claxton, Helyngton, Causton, Kerdeston, Rysham, Costeley, Estruston, Heylesdon, Drayton, Tolthorpe, Taverham, Felthorpe, Stokton, and Segeforde, and a fifth part of the manor of Backton, Norf.; Dedham and Langham, Essex; the hundreds of Hartysmere, Stowe, Waynford *alias* Wangforde and Blythyng, Suff., Frebryge and Shropham, Suff. (Norf.), and the sites and precincts of the late priories of Leyston and Eye, Suff. and the rectories of Laxfelde, Alhalowez in Donwyche, Playforde, Yaxley, and Stoke, Suff. and divers other lands, &c., in said cos., which the said duke bargained and sold to the Crown by indenture bearing date 30 Sept. 30 Hen. VIII.)., of the following:—

The rents and reversions reserved upon (*b*) the following Crown leases, viz.:—of lands belonging to Trentham priory, all being for 21 years. (1) To Ric. Trentham, then esquire of the Royal Household, 21 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Trentham, Staff., and lands there (named), a pasture, &c., there called Blakbrygge, late in the tenure of Hugh Bradwall, and the rectory of Trentham church, Staff. with reservations; rent, 48*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* (2) To Nich. Townesende, 20 July 30 Hen. VIII., of a cottage in Trentham; rent, 18*s.* (3) To Ric. Astbury, 20 July 30 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Trentham; rent, 26*s.* (4) To Wm. Whythurst, 20 July 30 Hen. VIII., of a cottage in Trentham; rent, 14*s.* 4*d.* (5) To Hugh Brodewall, 20 July 30 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Trentham, a pasture called Blakbryge with a meadow adjoining; rent, 27*s.* 4*d.* (6) To Ralph Benson, 20 July 30 Hen. VIII., of a cottage in Trentham with a croft of pasture called Thykken crofte; rent, 18*s.* (7) To Margery Trykett, and John Trykett, 3 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII, of a messuage in the parish of Trentham; rent, 14*s.* (8) To Ric. Bold, 20 May 30 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Trentham; rent, 25*s.* (9) To Edm. Conesby, 20 June 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage, &c., in Trentham then in the tenure of Wm. Goodwyn, and John Heyn; rent, 63*s.* (10) To Thos. Rydley, of London, yeoman, 20 June 29 Hen. VIII., of a water-mill called le Hethmylle with the milldam and a meadow thereto adjoining in Trentham, then in the tenure of John Twyforde; rent, 40*s.* (11) To Ralph Bagnalld of London, merchant tailor, 10 June 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage with lands in Hanchurch, Staff., late in the tenure of John Lovatt; rent, 26*s.* 8*d.* (12) To Wm. Asshebery of Hanchurche, Staff., husbandman, and Ric. Goodwyn of Handchurche, 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage and a cottage in Hanchurche, in which Ric. Goodwyn then dwelt; rent, 32*s.* (13) To Wm. Colier of Hanchurche, husbandman, 16 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage, &c., in Hanchurche, late in the tenure or John Colyar, father of the said Wm.; rent, 26*s.* 8*d.* (14) To John Fox, of Hanchurche, 27 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Hanchurche; rent, 20*s.* (15) To Ric. Austen of Hanchurche, husbandman, 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Hanchurche, formerly in tenure of his father, John Austen; rent, 30*s.* (16) To Robt. Walter, 20 July 30 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Blorton, Staff.; timber reserved; rent, 10*s.* (17) To Robt. Bagnald of Barleston, Staff., yeoman, 20 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., of a pasture called Marledhaye in Blorton, late in the tenure of his father, Arnulph Bagnald; rent, 12*s.* (18.) To Thos. Kenryke of

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Blorton, husbandman, 12 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Blorton, late in the tenure of Joan Kenryke, widow, dec.; rent 20*s.* (19.) To Roger Lowe, 20 May 30 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Blorton, rent 14*s.* (20.) To Alice Townesend, widow, and Thos. Townesend her son, 1 March 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Newsted, Staff., then in their tenure; rent 31*s.* 8*d.* (21.) To Thos. Colyer of Cokenage, Staff., 14 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Cokenage, late in the tenure of his father, Wm. Colyer; rent 32*s.* (22.) To Reg. Whyteacres, 1 March 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Clayton Griffyth, in the parish of Stoke, Staff., late in the tenure of Thos. Clayton, dec, and a close in Clayton Griffyth called Poyntens, then in the tenure of John Brodwall, and late in that of the said Thos.; timber reserved; rent 66*s.* 8*d.* (23.) To Reg. Whyteacres of the King's household, yeoman, 20 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII., of a messuage in Chaldon, late in the tenure of Isabella Goodwyn, widow, and a pasture called Stokkyngs in Newcastle (*in Novo Castro*), late in the tenure of John Colyar; timber reserved; rent 52*s.* (24.) To Robt. Owen of the King's household, yeoman, 20 June 29 Hen. VIII., of a grange called Walgrange, Staff., then in the tenure of Laur. Savage; timber reserved; rent 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (25.) To James Horden, 10 May 26 Hen. VIII. (by Thos. Bradwall late prior and the convent of Trentham), of the parish church or chapel of Barleston, and a tenement called Prysts House with the lands adjoining; for life; rent 40*s.*

Also rectories and advowsons of Trentham and the chapel of Barleston, the grange called Walgrange in the parish of Leeke and all possessions in Trentham, Blorton, Longton, Toft, Coknage, Barleston, Hanchurche, Newsted, Chaldon, Clayton Griffyth, and Leke, Staff., with those lands, &c., called "daywerks" in Newcastle-under-Lyne, Staff., now in the tenure of Ric. Telryke, which belonged to Trentham priory, 4 Feb. 27 Hen. VIII. or at the time of its suppression. Annual value 103*l.*; rent 10*l.* 6*s.*

Also licence to the said duke to impark 500 acres of land, meadow, &c., in Trentham.

Also grant of free-warren in all the premises.

(*c*) Also grant as above of the reversion and rent reserved upon a crown lease, by indenture, to Reg. More, 8 Jan. 28 Hen. VIII. of the house and site of the dissolved monastery of Burchester, *alias* Byssytur, Oxon, with lands, &c., in the fields of "le Markett end" of Bissitur and Langford "le Kings end" of that town, and in the hamlet of Wrochwike, several pastures, &c., there (described), and the rectory of Bissiter; with reservations; for 21 years, rent 25*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* Also grant of a messuage or tenement in Bissiter now in the tenure of one Ric. Banaster, at 40*s.* rent; another messuage, &c., in Byssyter, now in the tenure of Robt. Nasche; a cottage called Shepehowse with a close adjoining, in Bissiter in a place or parcel of land there called Wrechewyke Grene, with the whole of the said parcel of land. All which belonged to Byssiter priory. Clear annual value, 28*l.* 18*d.*; rent 56*s.* 2*d.*

(*d*) Also grant as above of the manor or lordship of Stewkeley, *alias* Stewcley, Bucks., and the farm or grange called Stewcley grange in Stewcley, which belonged to Woburne priory, and came into the King's hands by reason of the attainder of Robt. Hobbys, late abbot there; to hold by the rent of 20*s.* 1*d.*

(*e*) Also grant of the reversion and rent reserved upon a Crown lease, by indenture, to Anne, countess of Oxford, 1 July 29 Hen. VIII., of the manor of Nosterfeld, *alias* Prioris in Nosterfeld, Camb., with lands, &c., in the parishes of Castell Campes, Cite Campes, and Horsheth, Camb., which belonged to the suppressed priory of Hatfeld Regis, Essex; with reservations; as fully as Thomas Croxton lately held them in farm for 21 years, at 10*l.* rent. Annual value 10*l.*; rent 20*s.*

(*f*) Further grant, as above, of the manors, farms or granges called Raddewynter grange, Dodenall grange, and Steple grange, Essex, and the farms of Rodynge Eythorpe and Denys in Debden, *alias* Deanes in Debden, Essex, which belonged to the late priory of Tiltey, Essex, the farm of Collewards in Burneham, and the farms called Purleigh and Gold Anger, *alias* Faltey in Gold Anger, Essex, belonging to the late monastery of Berlegh or Beilegh, Essex. Clear annual value of premises in Raddewynter, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Dodenall, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Steple, 32*l.*; Rodyng Eythorpe, 10*l.*; Denys in Debden, 5*l.* 11*s.*; Burneham 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Purleigh, (with its appurts called Frenne and Jackeletts) 11*l.* 6*s.*; Goldeanger, 6*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; rents respectively 13*s.* 14*d.*, 13*s.* 4*d.*, 3*l.* 4*s.*, 20*s.*, 11*s.* 2½*d.*, 26*s.* 8*d.*, 22*s.* 3*d.*, and 13*s.* 4*d.*

(*g*) Also grant, as above, of the reversion and rent reserved upon a Crown lease by indenture to Ric. Pollard, 25 Dec. 28 Hen. VIII. of the manor and rectory of the parish church of Marynalegh (*alias* Marnelegh), Devon, belonging to the suppressed priory of Barliche, Somers; with reservations for 21 years, rent, 16*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* Clear annual value 38*s.* 5*d.*; rent 3*s.* 11*d.* with liberties.

(*h*) Also grant, as above, of the reversion and annual rent of 20 *l.* reserved upon a 39 years lease granted by Thos. the late abbot, and the convent of St. Mary, Abendon, Berks, to John Worthe, by indenture 1 April 26 Hen. VIII., of the farm of a pasture called Swynford in the parish and lordship of Comnor, Berks, with a ferry and fishery there. To hold by the annual rent of 40*s.*

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(i) Further grant, as above, of the manor of Dunsforde, in the parish of Wandelesworth, Surrey, belonging to the late priory of Merten, Surr.. with lands, &c., in Wandelesworth and Wymbaldon, Surrey; with liberties; rent, 40*s.* 4*d.*

(k) Further grant, as above, of the manor of Brome, Staff,, belonging to the suppressed priory called the "Blake Ladies," Staff., with liberties, lands, &c., in Brome, and in Kydermyster, Worc. Clear annual value, 3*l.* 20*d.*; rent 7*s.*

(l) Further grant as above, of the tenement called Colwyks, with lands in Colwyks, Dodershill, Waddesden, and Quaynton, Bucks, belonging to the said late monastery of Woborne, and all lands in Quaynton and Waddesden *alias* Waddysdon, Bucks, which belonged to Woborne. Clear annual value 8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; rent 17*s.* 4*d.*

(m) Also grant as above, of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following 21 years' Crown leases, viz.: — of possessions of Maxstoke priory, Warw. (1.) To Ric. Breme of the Royal household, 20 March, 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the suppressed priory of Maxstoke, Warw., with two water mills the park and certain lands there; except timber and the buildings which the King has ordered to be thrown down and carried away; rent 17*l.* 9*s.* 10¾*d.* (2.) To the same, 1 March 28 Hen. VIII., of the rectory of Shewestoke, Warw., with tithes of corn and hay, a meadow in the tenure of Robt. Clarke, and a pasture in that of Ric. Bull; rent 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (3.) To Thos. Kevytt of Coventry, 7 June 29 Hen. VIII. of the rectory of Yardeley, Worc.; rent 10*l.* (4.) To Ric. Breme of the Royal household,1 Mar. 28 Hen. VIII., of the rectory of Maxstoke, Warw.; rent 3*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*

ii. Of possessions of Erdbury priory. (1.) To Sir Edw. Wotton, Sir John Dannet, and Anth. Coke, 1 March 28 Hen VIII., of the house and site of the suppressed monastery of Erdbury, Warw., with a water-mill therein and certain closes of land (named); except timber and the buildings ordered to be pulled down and carried away; rent 13*l.* 19*s.* 4¾*d.* (2.) To Wm. Fynderne of None Eton, Warw., 10 March 29 Hen. VIII., of the rectory of Cotton, Warw., with tithes of hay in Cotton and a tithe of a pond called Griff Pole and tithes of grain and corn in Wodlande and herbage in Astley Park, in the parish of Cotton and Griff; except tithes of hay in Griff and the advowson of Cotton vicarage; rent 77*s.* 8*d.* (3.) To Sir Edw. Wotton, Sir John Dannet, and Anth. Coke, 1 July, 29 Hen. VIII, of the rectory of Magna Dorsett, Warw., with all tithes, &c,, except the tithes which Thos. Trege farms at 10*l.* 10*s.* a year; rent 22*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

(n) Also grant, as above, of the sites, circuits, and precints, of the said late priories of Maxstoke and Erdebury, with all demesne lands, woods, &c., the rectories, &c., of Maxstoke, Shrewstoke, and Yardeley, Longe Ichyngton, Fillongeley, Aston Cantlowe, and Tonworth *alias* Tanworth, and the chapel of Bentley, Warw., belonging to Maxstoke, and the rectories of Magna Dorsett, and Cotton, aforesaid, and Leigh, Lanc., belonging to Erdebury; and all manors, lordships and other hereditaments in Maxstoke, Sewestoke, Longe Ichyngton, Dounton Bassett, Aston Cantlowe, Yardeley, Fillongeley, Bentley, Tonworth, Pachyngton Pyggott, Arley, Slowlehill, Erdebury, Stokyngford *alias* Stokyngforth, Luttmansend, Boldesoverende, Nuneton, Tyshoo, Raddewaye, Burton, Dorsett Magna, Weston, Cotton, and Leigh, in cos. Warw., Worc., and Lanc., and the city of Coventry and elsewhere, belonging to the said priories. Clear annual value 254*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.*, rent 25*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* with liberties.

Also grant, as above, of the reversions (o) and rents reserved upon these four Crown leases granted by indentures. (1.) To Ric. Freston of Mendham, Suff., 6 March 28, Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the suppressed priory of Thorneholme, Linc., for 21 years; rent 6*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* Grant of woods, &c., upon the premises reserved in the said lease, and certain other land, &c., belonging to the said late priory now in tenure of the said Ric. Freston in Thorneholme, and Apulby, Linc. Clear annual value, 6*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* rent 13*s.* 6*d.* (2.) To Robt. Tyrwhytt, 10 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., of the grange called Hambeke grange in the parish of Lanton, Linc., belonging to the late monastery of Vaudey, Linc., to hold in the same manner as Sir John lord Husse, attainted, held it; for 73 years; rent 18*l.* To hold at 36*s.* rent. (3.) To Ric. lord Grey, 10 Feb. 29 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the suppressed monastery of Stoneley, Warw., with the brew-house and mill there, the fishery in the water of Aven and Sowe from the mill at the Home Grange to Stonely Bridge and the fishery in Littell Aven, and certain lands named in Stoneley belonging to the said late monastery for 21 years; rent 21*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* Clear annual value 21*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*; rent 4*s.* 4*d.*. (4.) To John Stoner, one of he serjeants-at-arms, 12 March, 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site of the suppressed priory of Gorynge, Oxon, with certain lands (named), a weir called Gorynge Were with the fishing thereof, a windmill there and the ferry over the Thames there; and 12 acres of land at Gattyngton Hyll, and all tithes; with reservations; for 21 years; rent 5*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* Grant also of the cartload of fire wood yearly, out of the woods of the earl of Derby at Goryng, which the late prioress had. Clear annual value, 5*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*, rent 11*s.*

Further grant, as above, of the site, (p) circuit, and precinct of the late priory of St. Katherine in co. city of Lincoln, the churchyard, and steeple of the same, the granges called Canwyke grange, Southgarthe grange, Seynt Thomas grange, and Bultham grange, Linc., the common of pasture for sheep called Lincoln common, the common of

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pasture for beasts called Brasbrigge pasture belonging to Sowthgarthe grange, the free fishery in the water near the priory, from a place called Henyng *alias* Dynnyngs to a place called Seynt Mary Closse, and a free fishery in half the said water from SeyntMary Closse to the south part of a place there called Shepecotts garthe *alias* Sheepcotetts garth; all which belonged to the said priory, rent 35*s.*

(*q*) Further grant, as above, of the manor or lordship of North Carleton, Linc., belonging to the late monastery of Barlyngs, Linc., and all lands, rents, &c., in North Carleton, now in the tenure of Thos. Dymmoke, which came into the King's hands by the attainder of Matthew Makerell late abbot of Barlynges; with liberties.

(*r*) Further grant, as above, of the farm or grange called Ryersby grange in the parish of Staynton, Linc., belonging to the said late monastery of Barlyngs, and the late monastery of Kyrsted *alias* Kyrkestede *alias* Chrysthed, Linc., and the grange called Lyngs grange *alias* "le grange Lyngs," Linc., belonging to Barlyngs, and all messuages, &c., in Staynton, Ryerbye, Rysom and Lyngs, Linc., and elsewhere, belonging to Ryersby grange and Lyngs grange; and all other lands in Lyngs and Swynthorpe in the parish of Sneland, Linc., which came into the King's hands by the attainder of Ric. Harryson late abbot of Kyrstede. Rents 17*s.* 4*d.* for the premises in Staynton and Ryersbye, and 9*s.* 4*d.* for the premises in Lyngs and Swynthorpe.

(*s*) Further grant, as above, of the manor or lordship of Scaurpton or Scampton, Linc., the farms called Est grange and West grange, now in the tenure of the said Thos. Dymoke, the farms of Shepewasshe grange in the parish of Canwyke in co. city of Lincoln, Westlaby grange in the parish of Wykenby, Snelland grange in the parish of Snelland, Styrton grange and Lymwood grange, Linc., and the ground in Westlaby called Westlaby More, parcel of Westlaby grange; all which premises came into the King's hands by the attainder of Ric. Harryson, late abbot of Kirkestede: rents 51*s.* for Scampton and the Est and West granges, 11*s.* 4*d.* for Shepewasshe, 22*s.* for Westlabye, 8*s.* for Snelland, 9*s.* 8*d.* for Styrton, and 10*s.* 8*d.* for Lymwod: with liberties.

(*t*) Also grant, as above, of the manor and the rectory of Owresbye, Linc., belonging to the late priory of Royston, Herts., with all lands, &c., in Owresbye and Thornton, Linc. Clear annual value, 20*l.*; rent 40*s.*, with liberties.

(*v*) Also grant, as above, of the reversion of the following possessions which he holds in tail by the King's grant, viz.:—

Four messuages or tenements with cellars, solars, &c., in the parish of St. Augustine near "Poules gate" in London, abutting on a lane or street called "le Old Change" on the east and lying along a street or lane called Watlyngstrete on the north; which messuages are in the tenure of one John Brydges, citizen and merchant tailor of London. Also 7 other messuages or tenements with cellars, solars, &c., in the said parish adjoining the said 4 messuages and now in the tenure of one John Hylton, citizen and draper of London.

(*w*) Also grant, as above, of the advowsons of the college of Seynt Buryn, Cornw., the parish churches, rectories and vicarages of Morton, Essex, and Ricards Castell, Heref., Spoford, Donyngton and Catton, Yorks, and Deane, Uldale, and Kyrkbrydge, Northumb. (Cumb.?); the rectory or parish church, of Brandston *alias* Branseston in co. city of Lincoln, which advowson of Branstone belonged to the late monastery of Thurgeston, Notts; the parish churches of Tadmerton, Oxon, belonging to the late monastery of Abendon; Fillongeley, Aston Cantlowe and Tomworth *alias* Thomworth, Warw., and Yardley, Worc., belonging to the said late priory of Maxstoke; Dorsett Magna, Warw., and Legh, Lanc., belonging to the said late priory of Erdebury; the church of Cloumpton, Devon., belonging to the late priory of St. Nicholas in Exeter; and the free chapel of Bentley, Warw.; the said advowsons of Todmerton and Morton to be held of the Crown as of the manor of Nonesyche *alias* Codyngton, Surrey.

Further grant of waifs and strays in all the premises, and other liberties. *Del.*, Westm., 19 Dec., 30 Hen. VIII. S.B.—*Pat. p.* 4, *ms.* 1–20.

19. Thomas, bishop of Ely. Grant to him and his successors, (in exchange for the lordship or manor of Hatfelde, Herts.). of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following Crown leases by indenture, viz: (1.) To John Shether, 16 March, 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site, &c., of the dissolved priory of Ikelyngton, Camb., for 21 years at 29*l.* 6*s.* 10½*d.* rent. (2.) To Anth. Lowe, 10 June 30 Hen. VIII. of the site of the manor of Imphey called Imphey Hall in the parish of Buttesbury and Harwardstok, Essex, which belonged to Ikelyngton, and the demesne lands of the manor which Robt. Blakamore then held to farm; for 21 years, at 10*l.* rent. (3.) To Thos. Wren, 20 June 30 Hen. VIII., of the house and site, &c., of the dissolved priory of Swafham Bulbek, Camb., for 21 years, at 18*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* rent.

Also grant, as above, of various lands in the above places which the prioresses of Ikelyngton and Swafham Bulbek formerly held, also that manor of Ikelyngton belonging to the dissolved monastery of Calder, Cumb., and that manor of Ikelyngton belonging to the dissolved monastery of Westdereham, Norf., the grange called

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Hovells in Ikelyngton aforesaid and Strattall Camb., belonging to the dissolved monastery of Tyltey, Essex; and all lands, &c., in the parishes of Ikelyngton, Swafham Bulbek, Myldenhale, Dytton Valans, Stretehall, Magna Chesterforde, Lyttelbury, Elmyngdon, Cresshall, Duxford, Hyngeston, Aysshedon, Newmarket, Seynt Edmundys Bury, Hadley, Buttesbury and Harfordstok, Camb., Suff., and Essex, which belonged to the said late monasteries of Ikelyngton, Swafham Bulbek, Tyltey, Calder, and Westdereham, with the advowsons of the vicarages of Ikelyngton, and Swafham Bulbek and rectories of Hagworthyngham, Linc., and Barley, Herts., which belonged respectively to the late monasteries of Ikelyngton, Swafham Bulbek, Bardney and Chatteres. To hold by the annual rent of 28*l.*, by way of tenth. Also licence to hold a fair at Ikelyngton, with grant of various liberties in the premises in Ikelyngton, Swafham Bulbeck, Myldenhale, Dytton Valance, Stretehall, Magna Chesterforde, Lytelbury, Elmyngdon Creshall, Duxford, Hyngston, Asshedon, Newmarket, Seynt Edmundys Bury, Hedley, Buttesbury, and Harfordstok. The premises to be discharged of first fruits and tenths, and the grantee to be exempt from payment of all corrodies, rents, &c., except the above, and except the annual rents following, viz.: 4*s.* 6*d.* payable to John Tyrrell and his heirs, 4*s.* 6*d.* to Humphrey Ferrers, —— (*blank*) and his heirs, 40*s.* a year each for the fees of bailiff and steward of Imphey Hall, 7*s.* a year to John earl of Oxford and his heirs, 5*s.* a year to Edm. Mordant and his heirs, 12*d.* payable to Thos. Rudston, and his heirs, and 9*s.* 10*d.* from lands in Myldenhale payable to the abbot of Seynt Edmundys Bury, Suff. *Del.* Westm., 19 Dec., 30 Henry VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 30.

20. Chas. duke of Suffolk. Licence to alienate the site, circuit and precinct of the late priory of Trentham, Staff., the rectory of Trentham with tithes of corn, hay, wool and lambs there, the chapel of Berleston Staff., formerly belonging to the said late priory, the farm called Walgrange, in the parish of Leke, Staff., and all lands, &c., of the said late priory in Trentham, Blorton, Longton, Toft, Cokenage, Barleston, Hanchurch, Newsted, Chaldon, Clayton Gryffith and Leeke, Staff., and all his lands, &c., Newcastle-under-Line, Staff., now in the tenure of Rich. Telrik, lately belonging to the said late priory, and also the site, circuit and precinct of the late priory of Goryng, Oxon, with all lands, &c., in Goryng, belonging to the said late priory, the advowson of the parish church of Todmerton, Oxon, belonging to the said late monastery of Abendon, Berks, and all other lordships, manors, &c., in Trentham, Blorton, Longton, Toft, Cokenage, Barleston, Hanchurch, Newstede, Chaldon, Clayton Griffith, Leke, Newcastell-under-Line, Gorynge and Tadmerton, Staff. and Oxon—to Thos. Pope, and Margaret his wife, and the heirs and assigns of the said Thos. for ever. Westm. 20 Dec. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 3, *m.* 13.

21. Chas. Duke of Suffolk. Licence to alienate the manor of Stewcley *alias* Stewkeley and the farm called Stewcley graunge, Bucks., belonging to the late monastery of Woborne, Beds, and all other lands, &c., in Stewcley, belonging to the said late monastery, the farm called Swynford in the lordship Comnor, Berks., the passage and ferry of the water in Comnor and free fishery in the water thereof; which premises in co. Berks. were parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of Abendon, Berks,—to Edm. Pekham and Anne his wife. Westm. 20 Dec. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 6, *m.* 3.

22. Chas. duke of Suffolk. Licence to alienate the site, circuit and precinct of the late priory and rectory of Burchester *alias* Byssitour, Oxon.; with lands there now in tenure of Ric. Banaster and Robt. Nasche, a cottage, &c., in a place or parcel of land in Bissitour called Wrechwyke grene and the whole of the said parcel of land called Wrechewyke grene, all belonging to the said late priory; and all other lands, &c., in Burchester which are held of the King in chief;—to Roger More and Agnes his wife and the heirs and assigns of the said Roger for ever. Westm., 20 Dec. *Pat.* 30 *Hen. VIII., p.* 6, *m.* 4.

23. Sir Wm. Ewry *alias* Ivers. To be captain of the town and castle of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and the tower upon the bridge, with the powers enjoyed by Hen. late duke of Richmond and Somerset or Sir Thos. Clifford, late captains, set forth in an indenture of this date between the King and the said Sir William. Westm., 20 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 7.

24. Roland, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, president of the King's Council in the Marches of Wales. Pardon for the escape of Gruffith ap Jevan ap John ap Dio, late of Glyn Vechan in the lordship of Chirke, marches of Wales, chaplain, lately detained in his prison as clerk attainted. Hampton Court, 17 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23. (*Rymer*, XIV., 600.)

25. Ric. Cotton of Bedhampton, Hants., and Joan his wife. Grant, in tail male, of the reversions and rents reserved upon the following 21 years' Crown leases by indenture, viz.:—

(1) To the said Ric., 12 Feb. 28 Hen. VIII., of the house and site, &c., of the dissolved monastery of Bourne, Linc.; rent, 15*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* (2) To Robt. Ryche, citizen and grocer of London, same date, of the rectory of the parish church of

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Bourne, Linc., belonging to the said late monastery; rent, 26*l.*

Also grant, as above, of the church, steeple, and churchyard, with demesne and other lands (named), of the late monastery and all woods in Moreton and Kyrkeby Underwodde, Linc., in as full manner as John Small, the late abbot, held the same in right of his monastery; with reservation of certain woods named. Clear annual value, 32*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*; rent, 65*s.* *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 27.

26. Baldwin Willoughby and Marg. his wife. Grant in survivorship of the manor of Codgrave *alias* Codgraue, parcel of the late monastery of Holy Trinity, Lenton, Notts, and in the King's hands by the attainder of Nich. Hethe, the late prior of Lenton. Annual value, 9*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.*; to hold by fealty. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 26.

27. Chas. duke of Suffolk. Licence to alienate the park called Abchildeparke in Magna Waltham, Barneston, and Donnemowe, Essex, and 300 acres of pasture and a lodge in the said park; 8 acres of meadow in Waltham, Barneston, and Donnemowe; and the advowson of the rectory and parish church of Morton, Essex, to Sir Ric. Riche, chancellor of the court of Augmentations, and Eliz. his wife, and the heirs and assigns of the said Ric. for ever. Westm., 23 Dec. *Pat. p.* 5, *m.* 24.

28. Robt. Sylvestre, S.T.P., prior of the monastery of Gisborne. To be suffragan bishop of Hull, within the province of York: the said Robt. having been nominated along with master Ric. Langrige, S.T.P., by Edw. archbp. of York. *Del.* Westm., 25 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 30. (*Rymer*, XIV., 600).

29. John Edmonds. Grant in fee (for 144*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*) of the dwelling-house of the rectory of Morton Pynkeney, Northt., and certain lands, &c., belonging to the said dwelling-house; also lands, &c., in Morton Pynkenny now in the several tenures of Simon Mounteforde, James Geffre, Ric. Beynton, John Judd, Wm. Smyth, Rog. Geffre, Wm. Corbett, Lewis Boddyle, Ric. Payne, and John Perker, belonging to the late priory of Assheby, Northt. Clear annual value 8*l.* 7*s.* 1½*d.*, rent 16*s.* 1*d.* *Del.* Westm., 23 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 26.

30. Sir Chris. Hales, Master of the Rolls. Grant in fee (for 120*l.*) of the manor of Ores, *alias* Greys, Kent, which belonged to the dissolved abbey of St. Augustine, without the walls of Canterbury. Annual value 40*l.*; rent 4*l.* *Del.* Westm., 24 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 29.

31. Romney Marsh, Kent. Grant of privileges to the bailiffs, jurates, and commonalty, incorporated by patent 23 Feb. 1 Edw. IV., which the King has inspected and confirmed, viz:—

Licence to elect four jurates yearly out of their number to be, along with the bailiff, justices of the peace for the said marsh; and—

To have a gallows within the said marsh, and judgment and execution of felons.

This patent is granted on the petition of the corporation whose liberties granted by the above patent of Edw. IV., have been set aside as regards the appointment of justices by statute 27 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 3, *m.* 29.

32. Ric. Benese, clk. To be precentor of the cathedral church of Hereford *vice* Thos. Parker, dec. Westminster Palace, 23 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Dec. —P.S.

33. John Fletewoode. To be clerk of the peace and crown in co. Chester. *Del.* Westm., 27 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

34. Robt. Tempest of Holmesett, Durham, nephew of Sir Thos. Tempest of Holmesett. Grant, in tail male, of the house and site of the dissolved priory of Synnyngthwayte in co. city of York, and certain closes and fields (named) in Synnyngtwhayte, Walton, Bikerton, and Bilton in York; as fully as Katherine Foster, the late prioress, enjoyed the same. Westm., 23 Dec. 30 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 6, *m.* 7.

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Eliz. Anys, of London, widow, victualler. Protection for one year, as of the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford, Captain of Berwick-on-Tweed. *Signed by* Clifford. S.Bb.

1183. RITES and CEREMONIES.

R. O.

Proclamation intended to correct mistakes occasioned by a previous proclamation which certain persons wrested to the maintenance of their old fantasies in religion. The previous proclamation was for the maintenance of all ceremonies and rites heretofore used which are not put down by the King's authority and that the bps. and curates should instruct the people as to their value.

Draft. Pp. 14. *Corrected by Cromwell.*

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R. O. "Gentlemen of my lord Privy Seal's mete to be preferred unto the King's Majesty's service," viz.:—Lord Thos. Graye, Walter Hungreforde, Albery Veyre, Rauf. Vane, John Wadham, Peter Courteney, John Briggenden, Robt. Merler, Chr. Roper, John Palmer, Ant. Awcher, Wm. Manby. Edm. Wright, Thos. Cave, Fras. Goodyere, Wm. Lygon, Nic. Arnolde, Fras. Bedingfelde, Wm. Dormer, Wm. Potter, John Portynary, George Rowce, Geo. Swillington, John Hasilwood, John Turfelde, Barth. Bayneham, John Cheyney, John Babington, Thos. Culpeper, John Fogg, John Norwiche, Thos. Wyat, Andrew Baynton, Robt. Carr, John Wotton, —— Spenser, Ric. Waller, Ant. Sandes, —— Sturton, John Horsey, Ph. Egerton, —— Chombley, Humph. Connysby, Wm. Phyneux, John Leeds, Thos Godolphin, Wm. Perry, John Sydenham, Edm. Shefelde, Thos. Baskett, James Coffin, John Porte, Edm. Knight, Edm. Fetypace, Humph. Wells, John Luttrell, —— Horner, Steph. Parry, Henry Graie and Wm. Tuysden.

ii. "Gentlemen most mete to be daily waiters upon my said lord and allowed in his house," viz.:—Mr. Walter Crumwell, John Williyamson, Geo. Pollarde, Ralph Hopton, Nic. Wadham, Thos. Avery, Hen. Blunt, John Rede, Adrian Poyninges, Ralph Latham, Ric. Bowstred, Thos. Palmer, Ric. Woodall, Edm. Jerningham, James Wilforde, Lionel Carnabye, John Skypwythe, Robt. Cotton, Thos. Worthington, Ric. Washington, John Watson, Thos. Ysley, Kenelm Throgmerton, —— Hopton, Thos. Basford, Robt. Bumsted, Nic. Canton, Roger Amyce, Thos. Lambe, Wm. Lane, Thos. Sternolde, George Ferreys, Thos. Denys, Robt. Lussher, Ralph Catulyne, Wm. Pett, Geo. Lawson, Thos. Chaloner, Chr. Goldyngham, Geo. Fogg, Wm. Pyckering, Nich Walwyn, Thos. Godolphin, and Ric. Henege.

iii. "Gentlemen not to be allowed in my Lord's household aforesaid but when they have commandment or cause necessary to repair thither," viz.:—Thos. Rotheram, Ric. Houghe, Nic. Gyfforde, John Godolphin, Geo. Saintlegier, Wm. Fyndon, Leonard Smyth, Oliver Denham, Thos. Wrothe, Wm. Umpton, John Cocke, John Wykham, John Antony, John Brabson, Wm. Saunders, John Cooke, Wm. Jackson, Giles Morgan, Bryan Cave, Edw. Saunders, Ant. Rocke, Wm. Burley, John Bellowe, Ric. Salewaie, Wm. Leghe, —— Choone, John Lacells, Edw. Draycotts, Edm. Bellingforde, John Oglesthorpp, John Fysher, Ric. Welby, John Horseman, Wm. Vowell, Hugh Losse, Philip Mourice, Wm. Morgan, Thos. Craxton, Henry Dudley, Wm. Merthe, Thos. Clacy, Edw. Plankney, Ric. Sherarde, Ric. Gainsforde, Thos. Bushop, James Barnarde, Wm. Culpeper, John Basset, —— Thornborowe, John Feimer, John Peryer, Wm. Godolphin, John Edmonds, Thos. Temys, —— Danyell, John Chechester, Miles Coverdale, —— Wigmore, John Dering, John Marshe, —— Aclam, Ric. Porter, Thos. Frebarn, —— Levybone, John Pilborowe, Gilb. Gryce, Wm. Mylenton, Thos Smythe, and —— Rysing.

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1185. A "Remembrance."*

R. O. "Master Gresham, 266*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Master Warren, 200*l.* Master Raffe Alley, 120*l.* Antony Bonvyxye, 100*l.* Henry Salvag, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Robt. Dacres, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* In the hands of Thos. Thakker, 500*l.*"

In Cromwell's hand. Endd.: My Lord's remembrance.

* Referring apparently to the King's debts, as the amounts opposite several of the names are the same as in Vol. XI., No. 1419.

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1186. THE HOUSES OF FRIARS.

R. O. Draft commission for taking the surrenders of the houses of friars and for selling their goods.

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1187. SUPPRESSION OF MONASTERIES.

Cleop. E. IV. 192. B. M. Form of commission to take the surrender and receive possession of [the monastery of] N. which the King understands is not now used for the honour of God or benefit of the Commonwealth.

Draft, pp. 2. *Undated.*

1188. IMAGES.

R. O. List of crucifixes and other images, viz. :—

A great crucifix of cut work for an altar, with Mary and John, six other crucifixes with Mary and John, 10 small crucifixes, two pieces of Our Lady of Pity. A great Trinity. 26 images of St. John Baptist, St. Katherine, St. Peter, St. Thomas of Canterbury, The Resurrection, The Rood, with a cross, St. Savyour, the Trinity, St. Margaret, St. Michael, Our Lady of Pity, Ecce Home and St. Gregory's Pity.

P. 1. *Endd.:* Thembrotherer.

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R. O. An information headed: "These be the articles."

That he said: 1.—That his mother was so good as Our Lady and better, for she had five children and Our Lady but one. 2.—That a lay man had as good power as a priest in hearing confession. 3.—That it was not convenient for a priest to hear the confession of a woman. 4.—That holy bread and holy water were but foolish ceremonies. 5.—That he would not pray to saints for they could not help us, nor we them. 6.—That the sacrament of the altar was not the body of Christ and that the priest had no power to consecrate and make it flesh and blood.

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1190. FIFTEENTHS AND TENTHS.*

R. O. Payments to the receipt of the Exchequer by the collectors of the 15th and 10th granted to the King by the Laity, 26 [Hen. VIII.].

Yorkshire—East Riding, 674*l.*; North Riding, 168*l.* 14*s.*; West Riding —— (*blank*). York city 157*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* Lincolnshire.—Holland, 500*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*; Kesteven, 561*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.*; Lindesey, 1220*l.* Bucks., 25*l.* Salisbury, 65*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* Suffolk, 84*l.* Sussex, 138*l.* Dorset, 320*l.*

Total, 39,14*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*

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R. O. 2. Payment to the receipt of the Exchequer by the collectors of a fifteenth and tenth granted by the laity, 26 [Hen. VIII.]

Yorkshire, 1339*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.* York city, 322*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* Dorset, 511*l.* Bucks, 234*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* Salisbury, 65*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* Lincolnshire, 2,361*l.* 15*s.* 11*d.* Suffolk, 665*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Sussex, 545*l.* Leicestershire, 474*l.* Kent, 599*l.* Essex, 235*l.* 10*s.* Herts., 347*s.* 2*s.* 8*d.* Surrey, 74*l.* 3*s.* Southampton (Hampshire), 701*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* Norfolk, 100*l.* Staffordshire, 316*l.* Hun-

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tingdonshire, 159*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* Somerset, 483*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* Cambridgeshire, 424*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Ntht., 523*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Berks., 217*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Wilts., 370*l.* Canterbury, 28*l.* 8*s.* Leicester, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Devonshire, 685*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* London, 300*l.* Isle of Wight, 120*l.* Bedfordshire, 30*l.*

Total to 28 May, 12,362*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.:* Payments made at the Exchequer.

1191. The Royal Wardrobe.

Among a number of loose papers found together relating to the Wardrobe the following belong to the years 1537 and 1538, or may probably be assigned to those years.

A.D. 1537.

R. O. 1. Inventory of "stuff" in the Wardrobe at the time of the view taken by Mr. Kynston and Sir John Dansey, knights, 7 Oct. 29 Hen. VIII., viz. of divers white and black horns garnished with gold and silver; "lewers" of cloth of silver and of crimson velvet; walking staves, one being "a staff of a unicorn's horn garnished with gold," another, "a staff covered with black satin garnished with gold, having upon the top of the staff a perfume, underneath that a box with 39 counters of gold, under that a dyell, under that a dust-box, under that a ink pot, underneath that a penner of gold, a knife the haft of gold, a file the haft of gold, a foot rule of gold, a pair of compasses of gold and a whetstone tipped with gold with a vyrall (ferrule) of gold at the nether end"; swords (one given to the King by Lord Beauchamp), daggers, "lyons and colers," bottles, bucklers, targets, hats, swords, and "skernes" (among them "a little short knife with a gilt hilt, the haft rolled with Venis gold and red silk, the pummel having an ink horn within it, the sheath of crimson velvet having in it a knife gilt at the top of the haft, a pair of twytches, a foot rule gilt, a pen of silver and gilt, a pen-knife the haft gilt within it a hammer with a file, a pair of compasses gilt, a whetstone tipped with iron gilt"), daggers, girdles, "and arming points."

Many of the articles, like those described above, are very rich and elaborate.

Pp. 10. *Endd.:* Robes.

A.D. 1537–8.

R. O. 2. Stuff (described) delivered out of the Tower, *i.e.* cloth of silver, tissue, velvet, satin, &c.

To John Malte, 26 Sept., 27 Oct. and 7 Feb. 29 Hen. VIII., to enlarge various jackets of the King's, make gowns and to furnish lining, &c.; 24 Dec. 29 Hen. VIII., to six gentleman ushers *i.e.* Mr. Anth. Knevet, Peter Mewtas, Raynesford, Greneway, John Norrys and——Blunte and to Serjeant Cutberd, the King's poticary, to make doublets *per mandat' Regem (sic);* also the same day to Mr. Weldon, chief clerk of the Kitchen, and Mr. Brykket, chief cook, and to John Mallte, "for his gown cloth against New Year's Day *in anno dicto* for the Lord Chamberlain of the King's chamber." To John Malte, 27 April and 3 May, 30 Hen. VIII. To Chappel, the King's bed-maker, 20 Nov. 29 Hen. VIII. To Thos. Adyngton, the King's skinner, 27 Oct., 24 Nov., and 7 Feb. 29 Hen. VIII. To Wm. Crofton, hosier, 3 May, 30 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 3. *Endd.:* Cloth of gold dd. to the tailor.

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R. O. 3. Delivered to John Malte 5 June 30 Hen. VIII. (24 doublets described.)

ii. Delivered at the same time to Malte to deliver to Wm. Crofton. (4 pairs of hose described.)

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R. O. 4. Memorandum of pieces of cloth of gold and damask taken out of the Tower, 8 June, anno Regis, 30.

On the back in another hand. Memorandum of linen damask work: towels, napkins, and table-cloths.

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R. O. 5. List of swords and knives, gilt or otherwise ornamented, "delivered to Maryonys man," 2 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII. Among them "to schortte knyuys gyfuene the ougte of Almen (*two short knives given thee out of Almain*) with skabbredeis of grene veluett." *Added in another hand:* Pecoks crofts on Graunge Hill in Chygwell parish for Mr. Addyngton; to speak to Mr. Coke for a lease.

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R. O. 6. "These parcels delivered unto the King's grace in anno tricesimo."

Costs of repairs, &c. (detailed), of swords, skeynes, daggers, &c., containing such items as:—Delivered, 9 May, by Mr. Syssell; delivered 12 May; cost of carrying the same to the King to Watton Abbey; delivered to Mr. Gates; delivered on Christmas even at Greenwich all the King's swords, skaynes, wood knives, and daggers in number 132 at 4*d.* a piece for dressing and keeping all the year; repaired by John Bankks; and the like. Total, 8*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.*

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* Books of the Garderobes.

Undated.

R. O. 7. View of cloth of gold, bawdekyn, velvet, &c., estimated in yards, and of sables and gennets in skins. The sables are "all issued out to the King's use."

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* Bill of the Robes.

R. O. 8. "A bill of certain cloth of gold."

Twelve items describing pieces of cloth of gold and their length in yards. On the back are "Item, a French sword with a velvet scabbard. Item, a woodknife with a white."

P. 1. *Endd.*

R. O. 9. List of "hornes." 1 of brass, 1 "garnished with silver with a grene corse full of white bullions of silver," 16 white (one garnished with gold and five with silver), and 3 black, 1 "of St. Corneles covered with green velvet," 1 white, covered with green satin, 1 white, "flewed" with silver and gilt, and 1 white, graven with antique work.

P. 1. *With further memoranda on the back, and endd.:* Bylls of the Robes.

R. O. 10. Remembrances for my brother Denny.

i. Corben's patent or leases for the market and fishing of Aldwod brod. The woodwardship. The offices of Masyng Wood and Herrolds Parke. The fishing of certain ponds in Stonard's ground. To make up patents and leases of Marybone; and of Hatfyld parks and woods.

ii. My brother's patents of Marybone; and of Hatfyld parks and woods. To commune with the Chancellor for amending the inventory of Waltam; and for the allowance of the patents for the baileywick of Westminster and a stewardship in Kent.

P. 1. *Endd.:* "Remembrance for Mr. Dene" (*i.e.*, Denny).

R. O. 11. Paper headed "by computation"; being a list of 9 items of articles of apparel lacking.

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1192. Bonds (for First-fruits).

R. O. Fragment of a list, apparently of debtors with their sureties, ranged in alphabetical order under the names of the former, beginning with the letter R, with sums of money ranging from 6*d.* to 34*l.* set opposite them. Each page signed by John Gostwyk. The names are:—Humph. Robynson of London, clk., with Thos. Twyne, barber, and Thos. Day, tailor; Edw. Redmayne, clk., and John Coppyn of Hathurst, Suff., yeoman; Claude Rent, clk., and Wm. Redman; John Routh of Long Assheton, Somers., clk., John Welsh, gent., and Jas. White, merchant tailor; John Rawlyn of Bristol and Nic. Adams, goldsmith, of London; Hugh Rice of Skynnefreth in the Welsh Marches and Jas. Whitney; John Rigewey of the Middle Temple; John Swale of Danby-super-Wisk, Yorks, clk.; Hen. Smyth of Clipston, Notts, and John Morrice of Christchurch; George Sutton of Oxford, clk., and Nic. Russheton of London; Cuthbert Skott of Holborne, skinner; Nic. Saunderson of Revesby, Linc.; Wm. Stanysby, clk., and Thos. Hopperton of York, goldsmith; Robt. Shyngleton, clk., and Thos. Gybson of London, grocer; Henry Sturges of Roydon, Norf., clk., John Sturges, jun., and Robt. Sturges; Chr. Strode, clk., and John Hudy of Pillisdon, Dors., gent.; Bryan Sandforde, clk., John Sandeforde, gent., and Peter Sandeforde of Fleet Street, merchant tailor; John Sparry of Ledbury, Heref., clk. and John Champyn, clothworker; Ric. Schute, of Sandwich, Kent, and Wm. Lee of London, haberdasher; Wm. Symondes, of Windsor, gent.; Sir John Sainctlowe of Sutton, Somers., and Wm. Smalecombe of Clutton, Somers., clk.; John Stanley of Grove, Notts, gent., and Eustace Wodford, gent.; Thos. Toy of Ledbury, Heref., clk., and Ric. Morton of Estbache; Raaf Thornebarr of Whalley, Lanc., clk., and Wm. Talbott of Greysynne (Greys Inn?), gent.; Wm. Willis dean of Mydleham, Yorks., and Thos. Willeis; Thos. Worsley, vicar of Hatfield, Yorks., and Wm. Peigham of Hatfield, yeoman; Leonard Woursley of Kyngton, Warw., gent., and Griffith Chidlowe de Lighthorne, yeoman; Wm. Wodd of Aberguly in co. Carm., clk., John Gennyns, grocer, and Laurence Fellowes, leatherseller, of London; Arthur Wellisboure de Albury, Herts, clk., and Thos. Cheyny, brewer, of London; Wm. Wayne of Cambridge, clk., John Tregolde of Aylsham, Norf., merchant, and Chr. Jacson, clothworker; John Welsh, clk., John Welsh gent., and Philip Morrice of Roydon, gent. Attachment to be made against Wm. Roch, of London, for his fine for knighthood, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* George Lovekyne of East Greenwich, Kent., on an obligation to the late lord Rocheforde, now of right appertaining to the King, 100*l.*

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* A book of certain obligations anno 30.

1193. "The King's Purchased Lands."

R. O. Account of the "yearly increase gotten and improved in the surveying of divers the King's purchased lands by Geoffrey Chamber, surveyor and receiver general of the said lands," viz.: lands, late of the duke of Suffolk, lord Audeley, and part of those of the late earl of Northumberland in the marches of Wales, "which was concealed by the bailiffs." Surveyed 28 Henry VIII. Improvement, 83*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.*

Lands surveyed 29 Henry VIII. viz.: Arustuley and Kevelioke, marches of Wales, late the duke of Richmond's. Imp., 35*l.* Manor of Litlington and lands there imparked, 19*l.* 7*s.* 11¼*d.* The late monastery of Boxley, 112*l*, 12*s.* 0½*d.* The late monastery of Stretford Langthorne, 96*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* The late monastery of Warden, 58*l.* 2*s.* 9¾*d.*

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1194. Pains in the Hip.

R. O. Extracts from Celsus, Hippocrates and Galen, touching pains in the hip (*adversus coxendicem*) made perhaps with reference to Henry VIII.'s ailment.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.* A byll of divers phylisouvers concerny (*sic*) physyk.

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1195. The Suppressed Monasteries.

R. O. Writ of *certiorari* to the chancellor of the Augmentations requiring a list of the monasteries lately suppressed. Westm., 11 Feb. 29 Hen. VIII.*

ii. A similar writ addressed to the chancellor of the County Palatine of Lancaster. requiring a return of those under his court. Westm., 11 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII.

iii. Return of Will. earl of Southampton, chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 16 Nov. 30 Hen. VIII. to the preceding writ. The monasteries are Burscough, Conyshed, Cartemele and Holland, all in Lancashire.

iv. Certificate of "the names of such monasteries as bene atteynted of high treason" now answerable to the General Surveyors, viz.: Whalley, Jervaux, Kyrkstede, Barlynges, Byrlyngton, Lenton, Woburne. *Signed by* Sir John Daunce, John Hales, and Ric. Pollard.

v. Return of Sir Ric. Ryche, chancellor of the Court of Augmentations, dated 10 Oct. 30 Hen. VIII., giving the following list:—

Yorkshire, city of York and Kingston-on-Hull: Priories of Holy Trin., York, Clementhorpe *alias* St. Clements, Helaug Park, Synnyngthwait, Drax, Arden, Marton, Mollesbie, Warter, Haltamprice, Feribye, Nonburneholme, Rosedale, Keldome; monasteries of Salley and Roche; hosp. of St. Nicholas in York.

Lincolnshire: Monasteries of Borne, Valdey, Nubo, the prior of Nocton Park, Swynished, Tupholme, Staynfeld, priors of Grenefeld and Markeby, Hagnaby, Lekborne, Lowth Parke, Humberston, Wello, Newsome, Elsham, Goykwell, Thorneholme, Torkesey, Newsted near Stamford, Axholme, St. Katharine's, prior of St. Michael by Stamford.

Devon: Prior of St. Nicholas of Exeter, priory of Barstaple *alias* Barnestapalia (?), priors of Pilton, Frithilstok, Totton and Corneworthy.

Cornwall: Priory of Tywardreth.

Hampshire: Priories of Wynteney and St. Denis, abbeys of Lettley and Quarr in the I. of Wight, priors of Bremmore and Mottesfonte; monasteries of Beaulieu, Suthwike, Tychefeld.

Somerset: Priors of Mynchynbarowe, Worspryng and Cannyngton, monastery of Clyve, prior of Barlyche.

Wilts: Priors of Maydenbradley, Farleigh, and Kynton; abbey of Stanley; priors of Eston and Ederose *alias* Iverchurche, monastery of Kyngyswood.

Gloucester, co. and town: Abbey of Flaxley; priors of St. Oswald's beside Gloucester, Lantony Secunda, and St. Mary Magdalene beside Bristol.

Worc.: Priors of Westwood, Whiston near Worcester and Parva Malverne; monastery of Bordesley.

Leic.: Priory of Bradley; monastery of Ulveston, prior of Kyrby Bellers; monastery of Garradon; prior of Langley; monasteries of Croxton and Leycestre.

Notts.: Priors of Shelford and Fell[ey]; abbey of Rufford; priors of Brodeholme and Blythe; cell in Marisco; monasteries of Welbek and Thurgarton.

Ntht.: Priors of Chacombe, Catesbie, Canonsayshbye, Sewesley, Rothewell, and Fynnyshed; [a name erased]; monasteries of St. Andrew and St. James in Northampton.

Camb.: Priors of Iklyngton, Anglesey and Soffham Bulbek; monastery of Fordeham *alias* Byggyng and mon. of Chateres.

[*Essex*]: Priors of Donmowe and Leighes, mon. of [Bi]leigh, prior of [St. Botol]ph's by Colchester; monasteries of Colne, Hatfeld Peverell, [Pr]ytwell, Henyngham, Berden (?), Walden, Stratford Langthorne, Coggeshall, [Th]remhall, Hatfeld Regis, and Tiltey.

[*Norf.*]: Priors of Horsham St. Faith's and Carow near [Norwich], mon. of Langley, priors of Bokenham, Blakborough, of the canons of Thetford, [He]mpton, [nuns ?] of Thetford, [two names illegible], Marham, Crabhouse, prior of Bynham, mon. of W[endling] Bromeholme, prior of Wa[yb]orne, [two more names illegible], prior of Hykeling, [two names illegible], the mon. of [W]ymondham, the mon. of Dereham, and of Shuld[ham].

Suff.: [Mon.] of Eye and about 12 other names illegible.

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Cheshire: Three or perhaps four names illegible. *Warw.:* Nine names illegible.

Sussex: Tortington, Boxgrave, Hastyngs *alias* New Priory, Michelham, Shulbrede, Durford, Estburne, Rusper, Battle (Belloo), Lewes, and . . . . .

[*Derb.*]: Abbey of [Be]auchieff, priors of Greysley, Bradsolle [Park], and Pratis [Regis].

Oxon: Prior of Goryng, abbeys of Rewley, [D]orchester and Bruerne, priors of Wroxton and Burchester . . . . . .

Surr.: Abbey of Waverley, priors of Reygate, Tanrege, Marton and Chertesey.

Salop: Prior of Chirburye, abbey of Bildwaies, priors of Wormebridge and . . . . . .

[*Heref.*]: Acornbury and four others illegible.

Beds.: Bussm[ede], Harrow, and two others. [Perhaps two counties with about nine names illegible].

Cumb.: [Two names illegible], Holme [Cultram]. *Lanc.:* Furneys. *Rutl.:* Broke. *Archdeaconry of Richmond:* [Six names illegible]. *Lond.:* Elsyng Spittell. [*Midd.*]: Kilborne and Stratford at [Bow].

[*Berks.*]: [One name lost]Abendon, [Bi]sham.

Bucks.: Ankerwyke, Mynchyn Marlo[w], Medmenham, Snelleshale, Lavenden and Mursley *alias* [St. Ma]rgar[et's].

Four or five more districts follow with nearly 60 names of monasteries, for the most part illegible.

1196. Monks' Pensions.*

Rot. Harl. I. 11. B. M.

The yearly pensions of every religious man of the late dissolved monasteries within the counties of Surrey and Sussex, in the receipt of William Saunder, esquire, with the tenth thereof to be deducted for the first payment of the subsidy granted to the King's Highness, as followeth, received by the said William Saunder.

St. Mary Overey, list of 10 monks, eight of whom have pensions of 6*l.* and two of 8*l.*; deductions for first subsidy,† 12*s.* to the former and 16*s.* to the latter. Barmondsey, 12 monks, one (Ric. Gyle) at 10*l.*, one at 7*l.*, four at 6*l.*, four at 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, one at 40*s.*, and one at 13*s.* 4*d.* Marton, 12 monks, viz., John Bowle the prior, 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, one at 8*l.*, the rest at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Newark, nine monks, one (Ric. Lyppyscombe) at 40*l.*, seven at 106*s.* 8*d.*, one at 6*l.* Shene, one (John Crabtre) at 8*l.* Shelbrede, two, one at 12*l.* (Will. Burreys) and one at 40*s.* Battell, 16, the late abbot, John Hamond, at 100*l.*, seven at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, seven at 6*l.*, one at 10*l.* Robertsbrygge, eight, the late abbot, John Taylor, at 50*l.*, two at 8*l.*, three at 6*l.*, one at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, one at 4*l.* Tanrege, 1, John Lyngffyld, prior, at 14*l.* Reygate, 1, John Lymden, at 10*l.* New Priory, 1, Thos. Harmar, late prior, at 6*l.* Total pensions, 773*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

A paper roll.

Endd.: Mr. Sawnders, receiver for the counties of Surrey and Sussex.

1197. Cardigan Priory.‡

R. O.

Commission to ——— (*blank*) Jonis, King's servant, William Wagham, Jenken Lloid, Gregory Richardson, and Robt. Holmes, to take a survey and value of the priory or cell of Cardigan in Wales, which belonged to the abbey of Bysham *alias* Bustlesham, Berks., now surrendered into the King's hands; also to see what interest John Hore, now prior or governor of the said priory or cell, has in it.

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* This paper is of a later year, as some of the houses here mentioned were not suppressed in 1538. The error was not discovered till the entry was in type.

† The subsidy deducted is always given, but is not repeated in the abstract, as it is invariably one tenth.

‡ This appears to be a first draft of the Commission granted on the 26th June (*see* Part I. No. 1260), with fewer names and less sweeping powers.

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1198. City and Monastery of Coventry.

R. O. Scheme for utilising the lands of abbeys by [Humfrey Reynoldes] of Coventry, who has admitted yeoman of the Crown at [the suit of Sir Fras.] Bryan, at the King's last being at Ampthill.

Religious houses have as goodly and profitable lands as are within the realm, and yet few keep themselves out of debt or maintain their houses, and by making men overbid one another for convent leases, they set men at variance. Their ill living and conversation was partly the cause of the pulling down of abbeys, and few or none live after their profession. Houses of religion and especially Black monks may spend 40*l.* and above for every mo[nk] and yet have not their full number.

Proposes a scheme for reform at Coventry, which might be applied to other places. The Black Monks there can spend little less than 1,000*l.* in rents, and yet the bishop has 300*l.* of their best lands. Few men are maintained and they owe near 1,000*l.* Proposes that the revenue should be spent in supporting 20 monks, priests; the abbot to meddle only with his brethren and not with temporalities. The abbot or prior to have 40*s.* in ready money yearly, the subprior 20*s.*, and every monk 6*s.* 8d. Every monk should have his scholar found in the "ambre," (almonry) till he be priest. There should be a head captain, a justice of the peace with 40*l.* fee from the abbey and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for his livery; a petty captain with 20*l.* and 4*l.*; an attorney and controller, 20 mks. and 5 mks.; a steward 20 mks and 5 mks.; a receiver, 10*l.* and 35*s.*; a marshal, 5*l.* and 35*s.*; a physician, 4*l.* and 35*s.*; 15 gentlemen, 4 mks. and 7 yds. cloth at 5*s.*; 15 yeomen, 40*s.* and 7 yds. cloth at 4*s.*; 15 grooms, 26*s.* 8*d.* and 7 yds. cloth at 3*s.* 4*d.*; 15 pages, 20*s.* and 7 yds. cloth at 3*s.* 4*d.*; all these to have meat, drink, horsemeat and man's meat in the abbey, and horse, harness and weapon of his own, and every two a bed. Including necessary servants and artificers, this would cost about 1,000*l.* yearly. The necessary hay, corn, &c., might be provided by saving in the monk's commons, for which 4*l.* yearly is allowed, but there is now no priest in these parts that is above 3*l.* commons if there be a company together. Complains of the monks enhancing their seals. They sometimes get 100*l.* for the seal of 10*l.* fee; and how should younger brethren and yeomen live, having neither land nor fee, if gentlemen and merchants give such large fines? The King's yeomen are sure to have little or nothing, except by promotion of the King's own land, and even then, knights or gentlemen will give a fine to take farms or bailiwicks out of their hands.

The house has divers hospitals, chauntries, and other benefices, which are used contrary to the founder's will. Proposes that the head captain should be justice of the peace where his fee is.

There must be a remedy found for the decay of cities and corporate towns. The decay of Coventry and all other parts of the realm is for lack of learned men to be on their councils, and administer justice, and there is no city or good town without an abbey near it, in which the justices might sit. The mayor being appointed for one year, "driveth forth his time, what for affection and foolish pity," so that men go unpunished. Some men may think that this would be against their liberties, but it is not so, for these men shall be citizens and townsmen. They shall not come into the council house with the mayor and his brethren unless summoned. They must have houses within the city, which will be glad to have substantial learned men among them, "and the poor husbandmen will be best content that they be so far from them, whereby they may occupy their pastures and closings to their best use. For if they dwelled nigh them, if there were other (either) profit or pleasure in them, they would have them from them." The justice shall go in general processions next the mayor with the recorder, and the attorney and steward with the councillors of the city. Trade is decayed. There is little "made ware" but what comes from beyond sea, so that if the commons would work, they could not sell. Acts are made to punish vagabonds, but it were expedient to find means to set them to work. Acts have been made to reform part of these made wares, but no man takes pain therein. Unlawful games are used, so that the artillery is decayed. Has seen 10 or 12 companies going shooting, but now a man should seek through the city or he could get one company to shoot "half take pence." The

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should be reformed, for unlawful games make men sit at the alehouse, when they have a penny to spend, and they care not what inventions they imagine. Refers to the insurrection in the city after the death of Mr. Swillington, the recorder, who, while he lived, kept the people well in awe. Of the four men who sued to the King for the commission by which the offenders were punished, one only remains in the city. He is both loved and dreaded for his humanity, and if ought come to him but good, they would neither set by mayor nor recorder nor by one another. The charges of holding office are so great that when a man has got his living, he sues to an abbey for a convent seal or else goes to farm in the country. Some sue for licences to exempt them from offices. The writer, "with other which come of the younger brether," has no fee nor wages nor occupation; if his wife died he would lose part of his lands, and then he should be taken into office of the city and in two or three years spend all that his friends have gotten for him. And therefore he sued to his master to put him to the King's service, that he might avoid the said offices which every man seeks to avoid. Begs the King to maintain the cities so that honest and wise men may be glad of the offices.

When the city and monastery are set in order, the captain and council shall ride and view the tenants and farmers. Rents should not be raised by them nor fines taken; but to find men with horse and harness and wages for a month or two. Sales of wood must be at a reasonable price, so that the buyer may have a living. If lords and great men would on their lands, and leave farms and merchandise, priests live on their benefices, and merchants and craftsmen live by their occupations in cities and towns, and let the poor husband[man] live by his husbandry, then the realm would prosper. This the captain and council will help to do.

Recapitulates the advantages of the scheme.

Large paper, pp. 16. *Endd.:* Supplication of Humfrey Reynoldes.

1199. Tenants of Vale Royal.

R. O. Petition of the tenants of the lordships of Over and Weverham, in the manor of Vale Royall, Chesh., to Cromwell. Complain that the officers are trying to make them pay sums of money in lieu of "beanes" or services, which they rendered to the late Abbey of Vale Royall in return for bountiful dinners, and relief, heybote, housebote, &c., though now there is no such relief nor comfort of hospitality nor of timber. Beg Cromwell, being their head steward under the King, that they may have their tenures as in times past and at the old rents.

Large paper, p 1. *Endd. Headed:* Lord Privy Seal.

1200. The Wax Child.*

R. O. Confession of Ric. Guercey, that he told Sir Martyall in the kitchen of Corpus Christi College [Oxford], that one of Peckwaters Inn called Osmond had informed him there was a wax image found in London way with a knife sticking through his head or his heart representing the Prince, and as that did consume so likewise should the Prince. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

1201. Silks.

R. O. "An order to be taken by Mr. Denny touching his business at Westminster devised by Bristowe."

1. No silks to be delivered without Bristowe's presence. 2. The clerk to note whether silks thus delivered are of the old store or of the new. 3. Silks must be marked with the contents and the name of the person from whom bought. 4. At the delivery of silks a clerk must write the name of the person to whom delivered, to what use, and of what piece, upon the bills of contents and in the book of silks with Mr. Denny, and a copy to be given to Bristowe. 5. The price of silks bought by the King must be put upon the labels. 6. Bills for money brought in by any persons must be comptrolled to Bristowe. 7. Such

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bills are not to be paid without Bristowe's presence, and he is to enter them in the journal book. 8. All manner of warrants are to be made by Bristowe. 9. Immediately upon the receipt of a bill he must make a remembrance of it and in what title he is discharged. 10. That no stuff be delivered by Hewetson, Mrs. Vaughan, Mr. Lok, or any other which ought to be allowed by Mr. Denny without a bill signed by Denny or his deputy, which the clerk is to enter in his book of remembrance. 11. The clerk is to have a receipt for all money delivered to his master's use. 12. No man shall have a key to the clerk's study except his master or his deputy.

Pp. 3. *Endd.*

1202. WHITTINGTON COLLEGE.

R. O. One William Gebson, tutor of Wytyngeton College, has said divers times that the Northern men rose in a good quarrel and that he trusted to see a new day. John Redlay (*elsewhere* Radley), John Baysslay and others in the college have heard him. Many are so weary of such communication that they are ready to go out of the house.

Both Gibson and one John Forlonge, a conducte in the choir, have said that Friar Forest died in a right quarrel, and that the bps. of Canterbury, Worcester and Rochester and Drs. Crome and Barns, are heretics with all their affinity, with much other railing against the King's acts. Cryspe, Person, and Wm. Wyllyamson were present.

P. 1. *Endd.*

1203. MILDMAY'S AUDIT.

R. O. Title page of a book entitled "Liber arrerag. terr. et possessionum divers. abb'iarum, monaster' et prioratuum infra circuit'Thome Mildmaye, unius auditorum Domini R. Curie Augmentac' revencionum Corone sue, in Com. Midd., Civit' London', Hertford., Norff., Suff., Cantebr. et Hunt." Anno 30 Henry VIII.

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R. O. 2. Modern transcript of the beginning of an account belonging to the Augmentation Office, viz., "Parcell possessionum nuper prioratus Cartus. infra insulam de Axholme in Com. Lincoln. in man. D'ni R. sursum reddit'.

"Firma x^me^ pasture de Brinkelowhurste." ("Newbolde" *written above this name*).

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1204. SUPPRESSION OF THE MONASTERIES.

Tanner MS. 343 f. 84. A discourse showing that it would be better to apply the wealth resulting from the suppression of religous houses to building towns, administering justice, &c., rather than to let the King have possession of it.

Begins: It is verie like that Maughumetes secte shall shortly be destroyed, and the people converted to Christian faith, and that cannot be but that peace be first had and established in Christian realms and that good reformations be made of such things as have been brought in against the purity and truth of Christene religion.

Imperfect copy headed: This discourse seems to be a preparation for the suppression of the religious houses in Hen. VIII. his tyme.

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1205. ANONYMOUS STATEMENT.

R. O. Met with Mr. Jenny towards Westminster who inquired after the writer's old master Mr. Vowell.* Said he was a little troubled for the arrears of the "howe," (house?), of which the commissioners promised at the dissolving of the house to discharge him against the King, but he trusted that Mr. Southwell and Dr. Peter would see him discharged, according to their promise. Then said Sir Christopher Jenny, "What gat he in conscience"? Replied, Four copes of cloth of tissue for 12*l.*, [adding] "I offered him 20*l.* again for them."

* Apparently Richard Vowell, prior of Walsingham, who surrendered his house on the 4th Aug. 1538.

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A rich cope and a vestment in the prior's chamber was reserved for my lord Privy Seal; but Mr. Southwell came suddenly into the prior's chamber and asked for whom the cope was, and as the prior replied, "For you, if it be your pleasure," he took it away. The prior afterwards sent the vestment to him also.

Hol. p. 1. *Endd.:* Touching Mr. Suthwell.

1206. Dissolution of the Monasteries.

R. O. Account of the manner of dissolving the abbeys by King Henry VIII. by a modern writer.

Pp. 3. *In a modern hand.*

1207. The Bishop of Dover.

R. O. Plate received of the Suffragan of Dover from eight houses of Friars, viz.:— gilt 1936 oz.; parcel gilt 1924 oz.; white 508 oz. Total 4368 oz.

P. 1. *Endd.*

1208. Hereford Cathedral.

R. O. "Jocalia extracta de feretro Sancti Thome pertinentia ad Ecclesiam Cathedralem Herefordensem."

"An image of the Trinity of gold with a diadem on his head with grene stones and rede, one oche on his breste with v. stones and iij. perles." A table of gold with green and other stones. A plain gold table. A child with the arms of the Marches with green and red stones. A table of gold with Jesus and Our Lady. A round "oche" compassed with pearls. The salutation of Our Lady—three, one with 3 sapphires and one emerode. A crucifix with "emorads" and pearls. An oche to the same. An *agnus Dei* with a chain of gold and 15 rings, some with stones, some without. And six other items.

From the Treasurer's inventory:—A chalice of gold weighing 22½ oz. Four basins, silver gilt, and a cruet. A "trenacle for holy water and his dassell." A pax. A great "sensers," 102⅓ oz. A bishop's "bagle" in five pieces weighing 12 lb. 7 oz. 3 quarters troy.

P. 1. *Endd.*

1209. Diocese of Hereford.

R. O. Churches owing procurations to the Abp. of Canterbury by reason of his late visitation in the diocese of Hereford *sede vacante.*

i. Appropriate to religious houses dissolved. To Lanthony near Gloucester; Burghill, Webley, Kington, Frome Episcopi, and Staunton Lacey. To Brechon; Bodenham. To Clifford; Clifford. To Monmouth; Monmouth priory and church. To Tyntarn; Wollaston. To Churburye; Churburye priory and church.

ii. Others appropriate.

To Bishopric of Hereford; Bosburye. To the bpric. of Llandaff, Newland. To the priory of St. John of Jerusalem; Garwey. To Shene; Eyrsland. To Reading; Leominster priory and church and Eya. To Fotringhay; Newent. Also Dymmocke, Montgomery, Kingsland, Old Radnor, Bytterley, Stretton-in-le-Dale, the "sinistra pars" of Westburye and the third portionary of Pontisburye.

Pp. 3. *Amounts in each case given.* *Endd.:* proxies of certain churches.

1210. Diocese of Hereford.

R. O. "The names of such persons as be permitted to live in advoytry and fornication for money."

The vicars of Ledbury, Brasmyle, Stowe, and Clonne, the parsons of Wentnor, Rushebury, and Ploden, the dean of Pontesbury, the parson of Stratton (Stretton?), Sir Matthew of Montgonery, Sir D'd. and Sir Lewis of Llanevang, Sir John Brughe, Sir Morys and Sir Adam of Clonne, Sir Ric. ap Res, Sir Piers of Norbury, Sir Gruff

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ap Eignon, Sir John Ockeley, Sir John of Mynton, Sir John Rinaldys, Sir Morys of Knighton, Hugh Davis, Cadwalader ap Jevan, Edward ap Merike, with many other within the diocese of Hartforde.

Your petitioners request "your good lordship's" letters for their "dismicion" else they dare not go into the country because they have sought for a remedy; and that the King's officers with those who speak or do anything against the King's ordinance may be called to answer before your Lordship.

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1211. [GREY FRIARS.]

R. O. List of names divided into:—

(1.) Doctors:—Wm. Call minister generalis, Wm. Wawysar, Wm. Wall, Wm. Germaye, John Thornall, Peter Brinegley, Robt. Brigott, Thos. Hadley. (2.) Bachelors:—Thos. Chappman, Wm. Watts, Hugh Glasyer, Thos. Tomson, Edm. Colles, Greg. Bassett, John Triaharne, Giles Coventre, John Crawforth, John Arthur, John Wyllyams, Thos. Wood.

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1212. FRIARS' HOUSES in the EASTERN COUNTIES.

R. O. "Hereafter ensueth the causes of such houses as we have not as it (*sic*) defasede ne rasede."

1. *The late White Friars of Burneham.*—The houses are not sold, but stand as they were left by the Visitor on account of a letter written by Mr. Southwell to Will. Buttes, his deputy, ordering him not to meddle as Sir Ric. Gresham had the preferment of the said house at the King's hands.

2. *The late White Friars of Blakeney.*—The house left untouched for same reasen.

3. *The Grey Friars, Walsingham.*—Mr. Sydeney is accomptant for the buildings and all things left by the Visitor.

4. *Black Friars, Norwich.*—Mr. Southwell wrote to Will. Buttes, his deputy, to make no sale till Mr. Chancellor's letter came to the contrary.

5. *Grey Friars, Norwich.*—We have not meddled as your commandment was to the contrary in the bill of remembrances delivered to me at my going into Norfolk.

6. *Austin Friars, Norwich.*—We have not meddled on account of a letter signed by Mr. Chancellor.

7. *Grey Friars, Yarmouth.*—The house was delivered to Mr. Millesent, servant to the lord Privy Seal, by the Visitor, of whom he bought most part of the things and his inventory was not there.

8. *Grey Friars, Ipswich.*—We were commanded not to meddle by the lord Privy Seal.

9. *Black Friars, Ipswich.*—Were forbidden to meddle by a letter from Mr. Chancellor.

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1213. FRIARY of BABWELL, near BURY.

R. O. Estimate of the lead remaining on the church and other buildings of the late friary, "as appeareth by the walls there yet remaining."

Length of the church, 167 ft., "and the sparre on the one side 25 ft., which is in breadth 50 ft." Estimated contents, 28½ fodder. The two aisles each 88 ft. long, "and the sparre of either of them in one whole length, 17 foot;" 10 fodder. The cloister "in length, being fowre sware, 352 foot, and the sparre in one length 12 foot;" 14 fodder. The cloister from the fratry to the kitchen, 79 ft. "and the sparre in one whole length, 10 foot;" 3 fodder.

Memoranda in another hand over the leaf touching the bells of Bury. Bells in the "Choycher" (*Clocher*), four in number, weighing in all 30,000 [lb.], the first bell being 13,000. "Most part of the weight delivered to Harbottell, of Ipswich, merchant." Bells in the steeple, 12, delivered to Core. "These bells were exchanged with the town of Mildenhall."

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Annable (?), farmer, of Haberdon by Bury, "brake the bells in the cloycher, and declareth that they were barrelled without weighing and conveyed to Ipswich in carts by Palmer, Mr. Southwell's servant. Anthony Dunryche had no bell metal but the brass pillars in the quire and the copper of the gravestones. Sir Richard Southwell sold to Mr. Asshefeld the lead upon the cloycher for 73*s.* 4*d.*"

Pp. 2. *Add.:* To my brother, Mr. Thomas Myldemay. *Endd.:* Babewell priorat'.

1214. Black Friars, Melcombe.

R. O. Indenture showing all stuff of the Black Friars of Melcam, received for the King by the lord Visitor under the lord Privy Seal, and delivered to John Clerke, controller of the custom.

Choir:—A fair table of alabaster, a "fair table follt of beyond sea work," fair new stallys, &c. Church:—New altars and one altar cloth, a new candlebeme, seven images, "new sileid setis at Jesus altar," new seats in the body of the church, a little bell in the steeple, &c. Parlour and buttery:—two items in each. Vestry:—a "priest, deacon, and sub-deacon white silk," &c. Chambers:—Two old coffers, four old bedsteads, one feather bed and one flock bed. Kitchen:—A hangell and a pair of pot-hooks, a little pot and kettle, three platters, a dish, saucer and chafing dish, all broken, a little board and a bucket with chain and rope on the well.

The Visitor has a chalice, 11½ oz., and paid debt, 20*s.*, and his own costs. *Signed:* John Clerke.

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1215. [The Duke of Norfolk.]

R. O. Account of lands sold and purchased [by the duke of Norfolk].

(1.) "Londes solde":—To the King.; the manors of Claxton and Fyndon, 70*l.*; the manor of Hunsdon* with the parks, 50*l.* To Sir John Dudley; the manor of Acton Burnell, 98*l.* To Jas. Lawson; the manor of Wollerhampton, 27*l.* To Geo. Throgmerton; the manor of Sullyhill, 34*l.* To Gostwicke; the manor of Willyngton, 46*l.* To my lord of Suffolk, "when I went into Ireland;" the manor of Cossey, 110*l.*, and divers other manors to the value of 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Total, 568*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Whereof, lands of inheritance, 325*l.*, lands during life, 243*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* "Item, left by my father unsold," 1,075*l.* Of the King's gift in Lincolnshire, 333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

(2.) Lands purchased. The manors of Wynthering and —— (*blank*), 104*l.* The manors of Snape and Alborogh, 80*l.* The manor of Romborowe and the "priores" in Hyntelsham, 27*l.* The lands of Fylstowe, Falkenham, and lands bought of Sir Thos. Russhe, 38*l.* The manors of Sheffyld and Imbercorte, 82*l.* Total, 1,739*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

(3.) [Annual receipts]. The fee of treasurership, 378*l.* An annuity of my lord of Suffolk, 413*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The stewardship of the Augmentation, 100*l.* The stewardship of Winchester, 100*l.* Of suppressed lands given by the King, 200*l.* Of Sipton, 200*l.* Whereof to the quondam and other monks, 72*l.* "To my wife and my son, 400*l.* And so remaineth to me clear, 2,638*l.* Whereof to be deducted in fees" ——. (*The rest is blank*).

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1216. Subsidy.

R. O. Names of the collectors of the first payment of the subsidy granted 26 Hen. VIII. who have not accounted. The amount due is stated in each case.

Cambridge: John Hyldersham, for the hundred of Radfyld *Cornewall:* John Cole, hundred of Este; Wm. Tubbe, hundred of West; Wm. Penpons, hundred of Pouuder. *Lancashire:* Thos. Gererde, of Ince, wapentake of Derbye; Roger Ryssheton, wapentake of Blakeborne; Geo. Gelybrownde, wapentake of Westderbyshere. *England:* Vincent

* *See* Statute 21 Hen. VIII. c. 22.

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Mundye and Wm. Smythe, collectors of the lords and greatmen. *Suffolk:* Wm. Bygott, hundred of Sampforde in the town of Ippeswiche. *Somerset:* John Catecott, hundred of Horethorne. *Warwick:* John Salamon, hundred of Balechwey (Barlichway); Edw. Everdon and Wm. Hall, hundred of Knyghtlowe. *Wilts:* Ric. Gardnard, hundred of Maummesbury. *London:* Roger Mundy, goldsmith, wards of Tower, Algate, and Lymestrete. Total, 765*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.*

ii. Collectors of the second payment who have not accounted.

Bristowe: David Harrys and Thos. Olyver. *Cambridge:* John Ivott, hundred of Papworth. *West Riding of Yorkshire:* Thos. Joly, wapentake of Staynecliffe and Yacresse. *North Riding:* John Gattyngby, wapentake of Halykeld; Wm. Leyton, wapentake of Gyllyngwest; Wm. Thorneton, wapentake of Rydale. *Hertfordshire:* Harry Curteys, hundred of Hychyn. *Gloucestershire:* John Atwood, hundred of Grymeboldesasshe; John Dalles, hundred of Cheltname. *Hereford:* Ric. ap Thomas. *Herefordshire:* Jenkyn Wynston, hundred of Wemelowe; Hugh Gyne, hundred of Webstre; Thos. Blount, hundred of Brokeysasshe. *Kent:* John Raynold, hundred of Maidstone; John Broke, hundred of Ryngeslowe. *London:* Ric. Alyn, wards of Dowgate; Ric. Buklond, wards of Castelbaynerd; Andrew Judde, ward of Algate. *Middlesex:* John Wykeham, hundred of Edelmeton. *Suffolk:* Thos. Almott, hundred of Sampford; Thos. Deve, hundred of Bosmer; John Nonũne (?), hundred of Blakeborne; John Deve, hundred of Hartysmere. *Oxfordshire:* Robt. Eyeres, hundred of Wotton; Thos. Penystone, hundred of Chadlyng. *Berkshire:* John Knyght, hundred of Ferispose. *Shropshire:* Edw. Moore, hundred of Mounselowe. *Somerset:* Thos. Horner, hundred of Brewton; Ric. Buklond, hundred of Taunton. *Dorset:* Hen. Chetell, hundred of Mowray. *Sussex:* John Stapley and Jas. Burton, rape of Pevensey. *Warwick:* Ric. Wylcokkes, hundred of Knyghtlowe; John Notyngham, hundred of Himlynford; John Edmondes, hundred of Barlychewey. *Wiltshire:* Richard Ive, hundred of Chippenham. *Worcester* Henry Russell, collector in certain villages in hundred of Parshore. Total, 2,848*l.* 4*s.* 10¾*d.*

Pp. 5. *Endd.*: The collector's names of the first Subsidy. Matters of suyte. A° xxx^mo.

1217. The Clerical Subsidy.

R. O. Commission* under privy signet to the person addressed to examine the abbots of Fourd and Bucklond, collectors of the clerical subsidy in Exeter diocese, and the abbots of Tavistock, Dunkeswell, Hartlond, and the prior of Bodmin, collectors of the supplement to the same there, concerning the arrears of these subsidies, which should have been paid to the bp. of London before the 1 March xx[vii]j Henry VIII. and 24 Dec. 29 Henry VIII. respectively. Certificate to be made before the last of February next. Rychemont, the . . . . . ember.

Large paper, p. 1. *Not signed or addressed.*

1218. Tithes.

R. O. Suggestions to avoid disputes between the clergy and their parishioners as to the payment of tithes, the abuse of which "hath been the only cause of decay of tillage within this realm." Ever since "that king of England" made an Act by the advice of his bishops for the payment of tithes after the fashion now used,† the commonwealth has

* This would seem to be the Commission referred to in Part I., No. 370; in which case either that letter is of the year 1539 (which it should be by the endorsement), or the date of this document must be December 1537 after Christmas. But after Chrtstmas 1537 the King appears to have been at Greenwich, not at Richmond; so that the bishop of Exeter's letter was probably written in 1539. What seemed against this supposition was that on the 28th Feb. 1539 the abbeys of Buckland and Hartland and the priory of Bodmin had just been dissolved. But the fact was very recent, in the cases of Bodmin and Buckland only the day before.

† Doubtless the Act 27 Hen. VIII. c. 20.

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continually decayed; "which is to be supposed Almighty God would not vouchsafe to reveal unto us as long as that Antichrist of Rome reigned; for it is manifest that the decay of this realm hath not been neither for lack of justice, quietness, nor other civil policy." Three alternative proposals are made, and a further suggestion added in case impropriations of benefices cannot be got rid of.

In Derby's hand, pp. 2. *Endd.*

1219. LANDS OF MERTON PRIORY.

R. O. Valor of the manor of Caldewych with the rectory of Glaston, Staff., parcel of the lands of the late monastery of Merton, Surrey, leased by the convent 8 April 28 Hen. VIII. to Sir Ralph Longford for 43*l.*, with obligation on the lessee to discharge a pension of 60*s.* to the late priory of Kelyngworth. Audited by Will. Cavendyssh.

Note by Sir Ric. Riche: "Fiat dimiss' Rad'o Longford milit' pro term' xxj. annorum (?), Rychard Ryche."

1220. "HEITH MILL."

R. O. Repairs done by John Pratye, farmer of the Heith Mill, according to his lease for 2 years ending 30 Hen. VIII. Payments to various workmen (named): total 16*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* *Signed* as surveyed by Robert Whyttworth, bailiff.

In another hand on the back: The said repairs are certified to me by the bailiff, being required to examine the same to the King's profit. Although the particulars amount to 16*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*, and the bailiff certifies this to be true, the farmer offers to be satisfied with 10*l.* *Signed, in the same hand:* Per me Georgium Wryght.

Large paper, pp. 2. *Endd.:* "Traynoton (Trentham?) pro proret (*pro Prety*)."

1221. WINKFIELD, BERKS.

R. O. Ministers' accounts, Berks, 30 Hen. VIII. Account of Wm. Cater:—Rents of free and customary tenants in Wynkefeld. Total 8*l.* 5*s.* $6\frac{1}{2}d.$

Modern copy. Large paper, pp. 11. *Endd.:* "Computus terr. Abb'ie de Abbingdon in Winckfeld in forest. de Windsor," *followed by a list of* 22 *names which are not in the document*, viz. Ric. Locke, Duodatus Stafferton, Peter Godfry, &c.

1222. ——— to ———.

R. O. "Brother, I certify you of the order that was taken at the departing of the abbot of Bewly, bishop of Bangor,* as Mr. Water Baker of Hampton showed me: that is to say that the said bishop after he rose in a morning called for water to wash his hands, and then washing his hands and his face, the palsy took him so that he never spake after, and then by and by John Myllis and Pace, with other to help them, took pen and ink and put in his hand and took his hand with the said pen and wrote a will after their pleasure, and that he was verily dead ere they had finished, and other will he made none." Mr. Baker also showed me that seven years ago the said Mylle had 10,000 mks. of the bp.'s in keeping, and that the bishop had said to him and Milles that "in his end" he would remember the King so that his Grace should say he had a true chaplain in the said bishop. I heard him myself say the like.

Mr. Baker has subscribed his name to affirm that all this is true. As to the 10,000 mks. in Mille's hands it is well known in Hampton that the bishop "came every yer onse and senyght togeder to se his mony told, wher any lackyd or noo." *Signed:* Be me Water Baker.

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* Thomas Skeffington, who died in 1533.

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1223. ——— to [Cromwell].

R. O. Since being last with his Lordship, has often remembered how Cromwell told him he had no sure evidence of his having "deposed those papistical dragges." Is ashamed to speak good of himself, but can still less endure the suspicion of being a papist. Reminds him that the first time he spoke with him was in his low parlour in his old house at the Austin Friars concerning the Lady Dowager's matter, when he declared his opinion against her purpose, and that he never did speak for her but when he was enforced by the late bp. of Canterbury. On this Cromwell was content to restore him to the King's favour, got him made his Grace's chaplain, and got him all the living he has. Cromwell also put him in some experiments of the King's civil causes, and called him to his board divers dinners and suppers, where he heard such conversations as was the very cause of his conversion, for he compared the conclusions maintained by Cromwell with his English and his Latin Bible, and found them convincing. Examined also Erasmus' Latin translation, and, considering that the New Testament was first written in Greek, got Mr. Robert Wakefelde, who is with my lord of Canterbury, to teach him Greek grammar. Has now studied every word of the New Testament in Greek, and since Michaelmas has begun to study the doctors in Greek and Latin. In proof of his thorough conversion, refers to what he has written and to persons who know his judgement. Reminds him of the pains he took in the making of the new laws, and desires Cromwell to read the proem to these laws, which is of his own penning, also the sermon that came from my lord of Canterbury, which, in truth, was composed by the writer. Dr. Barnes can also bear witness of his doctrine and communication in Wales this last summer. He is also known to Cromwell's servants Nic. Arnold and Mr. Edw. Draycote. Hopes Cromwell will no more suspect that he has not thoroughly deposed "thoulde rammyshe and Romish John populorum of Rome." Would rather be noted for a thief than a Papist.

Pp. 4. *Endd.:* The excuse of a certain man to my Lord.

1224. ——— to Lord [Lisle].

R. O. We beg your Lordship and the Council of Calais to favour us in the following articles :—

1. That whereas the Cowswaye bank must be repaired in delving, which will be a great charge, the poor commonalty thinks the beasts pasturing there should be "weved," numbered, and separately taxed to pay the expenses. 2. That the repair of the Synghe bank be sufficiently done, else it will be the destruction of all their lands. 3. That your poor subjects will undertake to make the said Synghe bank good as far as Collomsterest goes to the Presession waye, provided they may have their said Mene Brooke common, or else that your Lordship would see them paid for what they have done in delving on the said bank. 4. That the Colleners may be bound to make their bank sufficiently as we shall do, as far as their "presession" goes southwards to Hervie Netes place. 5. That turnpikes may be set upon the banks when made.

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1225. John Ap Rice's Petition.

R. O. The manor of Westdereham,* in the hands of the abbot, is worth 52*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* The residue of the rent is upon 200*l.*, and the moveables worth 600*l.*

ii. "Considerations whereupon John ap Rice maketh his suit to the King's Highness."

His office is decayed, and no fee attached to it, yet it is charged with the keeping of the King's muniments. Has written for the King, without any allowance therefor:—Professions of all prelates, persons, and bodies politic throughout this realm; divers instruments for my lady Marie concerning the abdication of the bp. of Rome's power and renunciation of appeals; divers great instruments, as well of the process of divorce of Queen Anne, as of the contract

* John ap Rice obtained a lease from the Crown of the lands in question, 28 March 30 Hen. VIII. (1539). *See* patent to Thos. Dereham, 8 Dec. 32 Hen. VIII.

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and solemnisation of the same between the King and the most noble [late]* Queen Jane; all which instruments and others he is charged by his office to keep. Wrote to the King the abridgements of the comperts of the late visitation; also the confessions of the late rebels in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire, and abridgements of the same. Rode post to the examination and execution of that traitor Halom and his accomplices at Hull. Was promised a pension of 40*l.* out of Guysborough, but had it not. Has ever since been occupied in examination of traitors, felons, or heretics. Kept one David, at the King's appointment, for half a year at his own cost. And now he desires but 50*l.* that is not in the King's hands, and to bring to his Grace therefor 200*l.* a year, besides moveables worth 400*l.* or 500*l.*

In Ap Rice's hand, pp. 2.

1226. JOHN ARUNDELL to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs his favour to obtain the keeping of the castle and park of Restormell.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal.

1227. PHILIP BARNARD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is prevented by sickness from appearing before Cromwell in answer to his tender letters. There is a house of the Black Friars in Yarmouth, of which the King is founder, which has been in spoil and great ruin ever since Mid-Lent. The lead, timber, and houses that may be conveyed be sold. Begs that some honest person be appointed to keep it till the King's pleasure be known.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1228. JOHN BARNARDYN† to [BONNER].

R. O. Petition of Giovanni Bernardino, of Pavia, many years servant to Sir Gregory Casale, for a benefice: he being now on business at the Court of France.

Italian, p. 1. *Headed:* Ill^mo et ecc^mo S^or. *Endd.:* "The desire of John Barnardyn."

1229. JOHN BAYKER, of Castle Cowme, Wilts, to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Seeing the pains the King has taken to set forth God's honour and the public weal, is bound in conscience to reveal what he knows to be prejudicial to the common wealth. In spite of the laws against vagabonds and valiant beggars they daily increase in number. Is a poor artificer, has been in most of the cities and great towns of England on his business, and pity it is to see everywhere bare walls standing where habitations once were. Explains at great length how the King's fee farmers by means of fines and forfeitures ruin the tenants. Begs pardon for his boldness for the love he bears his Highness and his gracious heir and prince.

Hol., pp. 4. *Commences:* "Forasmuch as your Grace at all times."

1230. JAMES BETTES to CROMWELL.

R. O. Requests a bill signed by the King for the discharge of himself and the executors of his fellow Palshid, as to the moneys paid by them, which Master Huttoft can declare. As to his own debt to the King, process is made against him in the Exchequer notwithstanding that Cromwell granted him to pay 100 marks a year. Begs a final end and will make shift to pay 100*l.* at Michaelmas. For the rest I beg you to take compassion on me, "considering my hindrance by the strangers," that I may pay 50*l.* a year. Southampton.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

* Crossed out.

† Apparently this is the Italian mentioned by Bonner in No. 639.

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1231. Bishop Bonner.

R. O. Form of a warrant with blanks for the payment of the diets of Doctor Bonner, now elect of Hereford, as ambassador at the French Court from 27 Aug. last, paying him up to that date according to a former warrant for the diets of Dr. Heynes and Dr. Bonner at 40*s.* a day each, from 5 April last past, when they were sent beyond sea.

Broadsheet, p. 1.

1232. [Statement of William Cave].*

R. O. Where Sir John Jenkes says I grudged at the payment "to colector at Camden" I deny it. John Lytster, Thos. Freman, and others were present. At the church wall he said "there should not be four abbeys standing in England." "Marry God forbid," said I, "that it should be so, for that were pity; if it please God and the King and his council it might be otherwise." I deny saying we should never have "other world" while the King lived; as Jenkes on St. Thomas' even swore "by God's blood" before a great company of the parish that I did.

Small paper, p. 1.

1233. William Cavendish.

R. O. "Declaration" made by Sir John Daunce by express command of the King "for the trial of certain particular sums of money paid by William Cavendisshe,† Commissioner appointed with Thomas Leighe, doctor in the law, for the dissolution of divers and sundry houses of religion hereafter ensuing, for the rewards and wages of divers and sundry persons being servants within the same" at the first payment; "whereunto the said William Cavendish added sundry sums of money written with his own hand without knowledge of any of his said clerks."

Then follow in four columns (1) a list of the houses; (2) the names of the persons; (3) The first rewards; and (4) the additions. The houses are:—The late monasteries of Meryvalle, Warw.; Breedwoodde, Staff.; Lyllshulle, Salop; St. Thomas, nigh Stafford; Delacres, Staff.; Darley, Dale, and Repton, Derb.; Pippewell, Northt.; total of the additions, 34*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*

"Memorandum, as touching the plate that was supposed to be sold by the late abbot of Meryvall to George Warrenne, goldsmith of London, to the value of 18*l.* st., whereof information was given to Dr. Leigh and William Cavendisshe after they dissolved the said monastery, riding by the way, the same Dr. Leigh and William Cavendissh sent unto the said late abbot f[or the] said 18*l.*, which 18*l.* they confess that th[e said l]ate abbot sent to them by one of their servants by way [of . . . .] e to be good masters unto him and his brethren, [And]‡ [as t]he said Cavendisshe doth affirm by his answer, [and a]lso by the said Dr. Leigh confessing the same."

Paper roll of five sheets written on one side only. Each sheet signed by Daunce.

1234. William a Dene, of Upmerden, to [Cromwell].

R. O. Lately made supplication for a certain duty concerning the taking of the parsonage of Upmerden§, and Rich. Coclyve, your Lordship's servant, has informed you that I have had "the years." I gave Coclyve a noble to be a mean with your Lordship for taking the parsonage, and he divided it with Wm. Pay. Has never had the said years or any parcel thereof. Asks him to command Wm. Pay, Robt. Pay, John Sone, Roger Haccate, and others to prove him. Wm. Salter had the parsonage 2 years, and Mr. Portyngton a year.

Hol., p. 1.

* See Part I., No. 38. † *See* No. 839. ‡ Erased.
§ Upmerden paid a pension to Lewes priory.

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1235. THOMAS ABBOT OF DIEULACRES to CROMWELL.

R. O. [1536–8.] I have accomplished your Lordship's request for your servant Mr. John Broughton for his most profit. We have no more churches but one adjoining our monastery, to which belongs no corn but oats, and no granges or demesne lands in our own hands; only a few closes to keep our horses and a few cattle. We beg therefore that such small things as we have may remain in our occupation, for divers gentlemen make great labour to the King to have them from us. At Dieuleucres.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Seal. Endd.*

1236. MARGARET DOONE, widow, to CROMWELL.

R. O. As she carries on her husband's occupation of a hosier and intends to marry one of her servants named Will. Butler, who is very expert in that business, desires that the said young man be admitted as hosier of our noble Prince.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1237. MARGARET [MARCHIONESS OF] DORSET, to [CROMWELL.]

Vesp. F. XIII. 103. B. M. Is a poor widow unkindly treated by her son the Marquis, and not suffered to have her own stuff out of her own house. Few mothers alive have been so handled. Begs him to make her son write to his servants to let her have it; "for ther lyys awl thys whyl my servantys and hyyrd men with theyr carttys and horssys wyche standys me in no lytyl mony," and it would be to her rebuke if they left that behind which they were sent for. Her son knows that with her years and sickness and continual aches and pains her time cannot be long, to keep him from what he ought to have. Begs Cromwell's help as a nobleman and Knight of the Garter.

Hol., p. 1. *Begins:* In the honor of our Lord's passion, my lord.

[Sept. ?] **1238.** JOHN FELLOWE.

R. O. The Pedigree of John Fellowe, baker, dwelling in St. Nicholas parish*. [*See* Nos. 703–885.]

P. 1. *Endd.*

1239. JOHN FRIERUS to [CROMWELL.]

R. O. Appeals to him for justice against the executors of his patron the bp. of Hereford, who detain from him the 10*l.* bequest and the portion of an annual stipend due to him. Of this he spoke to Cromwell at Stepney some days ago.

Lat. Hol., p. 1. *Endd.:* John Fryer.

1240. COUNTY OF GUISNES.

R. O. Index of chapters of a book relating to the customs of the county of Guisnes.

One leaf, pp. 2. *Mutilated.*

1241. GUILLAUME LE GURYER, mariner of Brittany, to CASTILLON.

R. O. Was drinking in a tavern at Hampton with some English sailors, when one of them accused him of having said the king of England was no good Christian. The accusation was evidently made out of malice and his accuser has fled, but he still remains a prisoner. Begs him to move the lord Privy Seal for his deliverance, for without Castillon's help he is likely to remain a prisoner although the mayor and governors of Hampton have moved the lord Privy Seal for him.

French, p. 1. *Petition headed:* A mons. du Catyllon, ambassadeur, &c., en Engletere.

* At Calais.

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1242. THOMAS GYBSON to [CROMWELL.]

Cleop. E. vi. 386. B. M. The ignorant multitude know not the "increase of godliness which floweth in your lordship, and all other such which be God's elect," and the great pains you take in times like this when schisms begin to be talked of. Has gathered certain prophecies of a king that "shall win the Holy Cross and also divers realms." As such things have been done to advance the glory of the emperor Charles, the writer has ventured to attempt it to show that Henry VIII. is the King meant, and that he will ultimately overthrow his enemies the papists.

Gives thirteen curious prophecies by St. Thomas, John Hermyte, Marlyn, and Silvester, &c. The 6th is that Ampho the patriarch of Armonie "calleth him the Weste beast, the which shall put down a part of the friar preachers and win a great part of the world and make a free way unto the Holy Land, and in that time shall be many marvels of Antichrist." Explains this. The King has left none of the Friars Preachers, he has made a free way to the Holy Land by setting the Scripture at liberty for every man to look on it, &c. The 13th is "Macamyte said unto the Paynems and called him the very delicate rose of Britain. If this were Macamyte the which set up the sect which the Turk is of, then had he his knowledge by the Devil the which was the author of his religion" who most likely told him how long his sect would endure.

Concludes from these that the King shall overthrow the Devil's minister, the bp. of Rome.

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1243. JOHN HARTFORD OF COVENTRY, yeoman of the Crown to CROMWELL.

R. O. Informs against the vicar of Hygley "within the dyozece of Hartford in the countie of Shrewysburye" who has new gilded a picture or image of Our Lady to which much offering was made in times past, and which is said to have restored sight to a blind woman (story recounted). Dated at the head: "Anno H. viij. xxx° die Martis vero prox. . . . . ."

Hol., p. 1. *Mutilated. Add.:* Lord Private Seal. *Endd.*

1244. The SHERIFF and two JUSTICES of HEREFORDSHIRE to CROMWELL.

R. O. On the information of George Cornwaile of Herefordshire, we have called before us Humph. Strete of Leominster, and commanded him to declare such matter as he had concerning the King's Highness. Enclose his depositions in his own hand. *Signed* "John Blount, schreve of the counte of Heref.*—Nycholas Fyton, Richard Palmer, justices at peax in the same counte."

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.* "H."

1245. JOHN HOODGEKYNE, BISHOP OF BEDFORD, SUFFRAGAN,† to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has this five years been in poverty and misery because he has not been able to make suit to Cromwell for his favour. If at any time the writer has not done all his duty, or so well as he might, it was due to ignorance, not wilfulness. The lord Chancellor, abp. of Canterbury, and bp. of Rochester, have promised to be suitors to Cromwell for him.

P. 1. *Add. at the head:* Lord Cromwell lord Privy Seal.

1246. LORD EDM. HOWARD to the KING'S COUNCIL.

R. O. "In primis, whereas Anthony Pykering, as attorney unto Wm. Burdon, hath made information that I lord Edmund Howard," comptroller of Calais, have bargained with dame Rose Wallop, widow, for certain her lands here, the matter depending in law, contrary to justice and the Statute of Champertie, my reply is:—

Before I came to Calais seven years ago come next Lent‡ Sir Robert Wallop and my Lady his wife came to me to my house in Hampshire and offered, seeing that the King

* The date must therefore be between November 1537 and November 1538.

† He had been in years past provincial of the Black Friars, in which office he was succeeded by bp. Hilsey. *See* Vol. x. No. 1235.

‡ He appears to have gone to Calais in Lent 1531. *See* the Calais accounts in Vol. V., No. 370 v. This document must have been drawn up late in 1537 or early in 1538.

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had given me the comptrollership of Calais, to sell me their house and lands there at a price to be named by Sir Ric. Whethill, deceased. I then knew nothing of Burdon or his suits against Sir Robert or lady Wallop. They asked too high a price and the matter dropped. Lately lady Wallop came over and before Mr. Mayor and the law cleared her house and lands "with award" which she showed, and caused her house to be proclaimed six times in both parish churches. I then bargained with her for it, and purchased it for 20*l.* more than Thomas Scryven, now mayor, had offered, and Burdon and Pykeryng took no action till four days after the purchase and many think they never would have taken action if the mayor might have had it. Describes how the mayor and his brethren would not give him possession till they had written to Mr. Baker, the King's attorney, whose answer is herein written, &c., &c. I beg the King and you my lords of his Council to consider what grief it is to an honest man to be thus slandered. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Mutilated.*

2. Baker, Attorney General, to the mayor and his brethren of Calais.

Gives his opinion of the case and concludes that by English law they should not give seisin to lord Edmund, the plea depending, or it would be Champertie; but whether it is against Calais laws he knows not.

Copy, p. 1. *Mutilated. Enclosed in the preceding.*

1247. John Huntley to Cromwell.

R. O. My late wife and her two sisters were heirs of Edmund Langeley of Sudington Glouc., deceased, from whom lands worth 40 marks a year came to my wife for her part of which I am tenant by the courtesy of England. My wife had issue remaining, by her former husband, a son, Sir Ant. Everdon, priest, and a daughter, and by me, two sons. The land, as Mr. Wigston, whose wife is one of the three sisters, and the bearer can show, is entailed so that my sons are heirs to it after Sir Anthony, if he do not alienate it. I know not whether he has done so, but divers have refused it at his offer. Once in his possession it were gone as he is so unthrifty. He had an elder brother who died, a year or two after he was made priest, seised of a little land from their father, which he sold after his brother's death. Because I and my son, the bearer, have done what we could to save the reversion, he hates us, though I brought him up as mine own till he was made priest, and then got him a benefice worth 20*l.* a year. My wife would have put the land from him if she had lived, as her friends, Sir Edm. Tame, Thomas Tame, and Mr. Wigston know. Please cause an act to be made in the next Parliament that priests shall not inherit land, or at least, shall not alienate lands. Moreover, the King has granted to this bearer, my son, a joint patent with me in my office of Thornbury. To have these two matters take effect I will give you 40*l.* towards furnishing your cellar.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1248. Sir William Kyngston to Cromwell.

R. O. This bearer has desired me to write to your lordship to be good Lord unto him. There is a bailliwick of the gift of the abbot of Ramsay now void. His name is William a Wod, gentleman usher with the King's grace. Also he says he will move your Lordship "touching abbotte who you shall hear complaints of," and he supposes the said abbot would accept a pension, "and the King's Grace to have the first fruits and you to have 100 marks in money, and you and Mr. Gregory to have 30*l.* by year during the longer liver, and I shall have somewhat." I trust to see you shortly. Luton, Monday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1249. John Legh* to Cromwell.

R. O. It was no small comfort to me when, of late, I received letters from my friend, sometime in these parts, Mr. Moryson, whose residence has been there about you, certifying me of your favour. I feel I have little deserved such favour. Have written very

* *See* No. 847.

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1249. JOHN LEGH to CROMWELL—*cont.*

seldom, because afraid of molesting your Lordship; but now I perceive you are affected towards me "in the way of old friendship and acquaintance" and would have me write oftener, I cannot but be grateful for your goodness towards me.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1250. DRS. LEGH and LAYTON to ———.

R. O. Request him "to help this poor man with his pension to be made and sealed; 10*l.* we have appointed him. He shall see to your pains for your travaile herein. We commit you to Christ.—Yours THOMAS LEGH—your friend to command RICHARDE LAYTON."

Fly leaf, with address, lost.

1251. The BRETHREN and SISTERS of ST. NICHOLAS HOSPITAL, [LEWES], to CROMWELL.

R. O. At the suppression of the house of Lewes, they put into the hands of Ric. Cromwell, Mr. Pollerd, and Mr. Mylsent, a certain book containing their foundation and the gift and grant of their founders. The said gentlemen promised the writers to have the charitable alms as of old time had been accustomed, and so Ric. Cromwell gave them 15*s.*, but they have never had more. Ask Cromwell to do herein what he thinks most convenient to stand with charity.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. at the head:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1252. JOHN BP. OF LINCOLN to CROMWELL.

R. O. The abbot of Messynden, Bucks, is dead. Begs favour for John Ottewell, a canon of the house, to be abbot.* Ottewell might have had the room before but gave place to his superior at the request of others. Holborn, Friday morning. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd. Seal.*

1253. ALEXANDER LONGFORDE to CROMWELL.

R. O. At your request, I have obtained from the bp. of Chichester the lease of the farm that I lately sued for to your Lordship for one of my sons. Now I beg your favour for the bearer, another of my sons, and will partly recompense you.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* A° xxx°.

1254. CHRISTOPHER MORE to CROMWELL.

R. O. My friends Sir Richard Gressham and Sir John Gressham, his brother, have made suit to your Lordship in my behalf, and their answer is such that I can desire no better, saving that I might know my end. I would trust to serve therein that the King should find no lack. I have not done my duty to your Lordship myself, that those who began my suits might not think me changeable; nor would I pester your Lordship with many suits. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* A° xxx°.

1255. R. MORYSON to ———.

R. O. "My lord," as Master Bonner has released your conventual seal to me, giving me what you know was my own, I give my whole interest to Nic. Lental, who I desire may have the annuity you gave to Bonner, thinking it to be his, that in very deed was mine. He was sometime marshall of my lord Cardinal's Hall, and is far past 50 years of age, so that Moryson is like to outlive him. Asks for information about quittances and arrears for the first year and also for this. *The figures* 16*s.* 8*d.*—12*s.* 6*d. jotted down at the end.*

Hol., pp. 2.

* Otwell was the last abbot, but when he succeeded does not appear.

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1256. Morison.

R. O. Detached leaf of a treatise in which Henry VIII. is represented as arguing with the Pope against his claim to be supreme over princes. In the second page there is a reference to Cochleus ("ut impudenti Cocleo os obstruam.")

Begins: "Cum tu nihil non possis nisi quod nolis, nos nihil velle vis, nisi quod possumus? Cur præceptorem tuum non imitaris, qui primum cœpit facere, deinde docere?"

Ends: "Nullum honorem neque tribui neque expe . . ."

Pp. 2. *In Morison's hand.*

1257. Sybbill Penne,* nurse to the Prince, to Cromwell.

R. O. In favour of her brother in law, Gryffyth Richards, the bearer, to be in service with their lord and master the Prince.

Hol., p 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal.

1258. William Perkyns to Henry VIII.

R. O. Petition showing that at the beginning of Lent last, he was enforced to exhibit a bill of complaint to the King to the effect that one John, son of Jenkyn Litlehey, was seised of lands, held in fee to his use by John Spencer, the elder, Wm. Heynes, Thos. Crispe, and others, in Adelston, Donchurche, and Byfelde, worth 10*l.* a year; that Agnes, wife of the complainant, was next heir to the same, the evidences being in the keeping of the prior of Asheby, now suppressed; that after the decease of John Litlehey, Crispe, pretending title to the lands, sold 60 acres in Adelston to the said prior; that the prior soon after, perceiving that Crispe had no right to make such sale, resorted to the complainant and his wife for the same, but they refused; on which the prior withheld the evidences of all the lands for 8 years until the late suppression, when he confessed the having of them to the King's visitors. They are now come, by the suppression, to the hands of Mr. Richard Riche, chancellor of the Augmentations, and Mr. Pope, treasurer of the same; who will not make redelivery of them to complainant, although commanded by the chancellor of England, and requested by Sir John Russell, comptroller of your Grace's household, without warrant from your Grace. Begs for such a warrant as he is a very poor man and has many small children.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

1259. [The Abbot of Pershore?]† to Cromwell.

R. O. Hopes his Lordship will continue his good friend. Has received a sore, indeed bitter letter concerning the pension of his (the writer's) predecessor, [Mr. William Compton].† If I have not fulfilled your Lordship's order, taken two years since, paying him by such

* Sibilla Penne, wife of David Penne, in reward for her services to the Prince, afterwards, 24 March 32 Hen. VIII., received a life grant of the manor of Beamonde, Bucks, and rectory of Little Missenden, Bucks, parcel of the lands of Burcester monastery, the manor or farm of Auffrykks in Little Missenden, which belonged to Godstow monastery, the rectory of Penne, Bucks, which belonged to Chacombe priory, and other lands. This grant was afterwards confirmed to the said David and Sibilla and the heirs of the said Sibilla, 11 May 7 Edw. VI.—Originalia Roll, 7 Edw. VI., part ii., rot. 49.

† Although this draft letter is in Moryson's hand it is certainly not written in his own name, as he calls himself a young man in 1533 (*see* Vol. vi., No. 1582), while here the writer speaks of himself as an old man wearied with a long dispute. Neither is Moryson heard of during Wolsey's time, though he had a pension out of the priory of Worsop, Notts, granted him "by the archbishop of York" (Valor Eccl. v. 175). The reference to a predecessor of the name of William Compton seems to show that the person in whose name it was written was John Poletensis, abbot of Pershore, whose predecessor bearing that name resigned in his favour in 1526 (*see* Vol. iv., Nos. 2537, 2562, and compare Vol. vii., No. 808). If so the date of this paper, which alludes to a lapse of 12 years, must be 1538. Note also the reference to the benefit of a statute here and in Vol. vii., No. 808.

† This name occurs in the second of two drafts for the commencement of this letter on the third page.

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1259. [The Abbot of Pershore?] to Cromwell—*cont.*

acquittance as Mr. Wriothesley, by your Lordship's command, did draw, I will not desire your favour. If I have I beg that the statute made for all the King's subjects may serve me in my right. No doubt this benefice has been sweet to me, as your Lordship says, but remember what I left when I came to this. When my lord Cardinal, God have his soul, put me in, my predecessor at his resignation gave me a bill of such debts as he could remember: these I have paid and 500 marks more, yet he still finds new debts. I trust you will think, whereas in 12 years he could not bring in such debts, that they are feigned. Please appoint any two of your Counsel, or other gentlemen, to end this matter and I will bear their charges. I will give your Lordship, as a token, 20 mks. I send my servant with this letter, desiring you to deliver my age from vexation of which I have long been weary.

Pp. 3. *Rough draft in Moryson's hand. Begins:* My singular good Lord, I most humbly beseech you that as I have evermore found you my very good Lord,——

1260. Sir Wm. Poulet to Wriothesley.

R. O. Asks him to remind the lord Privy Seal that the tenants of Est Farneham, Hants, desire to have a piece of ground hallowed for their churchyard. They are Wriothesley's countrymen as well as Poulet's. Thursday after noon.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* At Chelsey. *Endd.*

1261. Edmund Racheley.

R. O. "The saying of Edmunde Racheley that decessed at Buxted Bredge."

When he came to Chidinglegh he asked for lodging, saying that he was servant to the lord marquis of Exeter, and was going to lord Dacre. He told one Fawknor that he was servant to Mr. Longe of the Court.

At his coming to Buxted Bridge on Friday he said he was servant to lord Dacre, was sick of the ague, and wanted a lodging. On the morrow he said he was "burned with a common woman." On Sunday he called for a ghostly father. Before he died he told the ostler that he was born near Wollerhampton in Staffordshire, and willed his horse to his youngest brother, his horn to one Ric. Pope, and the rest of his apparel to those who kept him. He was displeased when any one asked his name or where he lived, and said that his science was such that he could live without a master.

P. 1. *Endd.*

1262. Sir John Raynsforth to Cromwell.

R. O. Asks for the White Friars at Ipswich. His friends cry out, Why does not he ask as well as others? Is he not the King's servant? Has not his service been acceptable? Is he not a true man? Is not the lord Privy Seal his good Lord? "Spare to axe and spare to speed." Has nothing for his long service, save only Wyxe, which he is in danger to lose. Pyrton has 40 mks. a year of the duke of Buckingham's lands. Wonders how he came by it. If the White Friars in Ipswich are past remedy, asks for the Grey Friars in Colchester. Would fain be Chrystmessys neighbour.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1263. John Reading, Prior of Leomstre, to Cromwell.

R. O. Concerning the articles I moved your Lordship in,* I trust they agree with right and conscience. As for my money recited in the bill of articles, please direct my master the abbot's† receiver of rents to pay me at least 100*l.* of it, your letter to be their discharge.

* See Part I. No. 1316, which shows that he went up to Cromwell in the summer of 1538.

† The abbot of Reading, to which Leominster was a cell.

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You shall have 40*l.* of it. Touching the seal of mine office that unjustly is witholden from me, please let it be restored or allow me to use another, and you shall have half the profits that shall arise thereby. My master the abbot has made the chief and richest of the bondmen of Leominster free, and taken the profits to himself which ought to have gone to the priory. My predecessors have had authority to "manumys" them; and if you will comfort me to use the same, you shall have half the profits.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

R. O. 2. "The instructions of the lordship belonging to the prior of Lemster, cell unto Reading abbey."

"It may please your Lordship to consider that the whole lordship is by year 700*l.*", as I was told by the prior, and the common people say it is 1,800 mks. The abbot and prior have wasted the woods, and the tenants make no repairs, and the abbot "doth excuse them by great poverty to make money to pay the King's Grace."

I beg your Lordship's favour for the prior who will show you of great money, &c., the abbot has "with divers other things which is great pity he should continue in that case." There are here, with the prior, Sir Robert Worralle priest and John Ynke, his bailey of Lemster, who can give your Lordship further instructions. There are many bondmen belonging to that lordship, and "it is a royal rich country."

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1264. Reigate.

R. O. Audit of rents of the late priory of Reigate, viz., of Thos. Stidolff and John Stidolff, his son, 3 years' rent ending Michaelmas 30 Henry VIII., for farm of lands, &c., in Hedlegh and Walton super Montem, Surrey, 8*l.* 16*s.*, and for the manor of Westhumble in Mikelham, Dorking, and Leatherhead, 15*l.* 15*s.* Total due 24*l.* 11*s.* Whereof 18*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* is respited upon the decree of the chancellor and council "curiæ predictæ" (of the Court of Augmentation). Remainder 6*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* paid to John Mores receiver there by the hands of John Skynner, with 60*s.* for the same Mores. *Examined by* Gregory Richardsone, deputy to Wm. Cavendyssh, auditor.

In the handwriting of Nicholas Bacon: Mr. Auditor, pray certify us why this 6*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* is put in charge. *Signed by* N. Bacon *and* J. Arscot (?)

In another hand: Mr. Solicitor, I am assured the 6*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* was paid to Mr. Mores. It was not discharged because the indentures were not decreed. Yours to command Gregory Richardsone.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

1265. Robt. [Ferrar], Prior of St. Oswald, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received his letters in favour of Wm. Pykrynge for a lease of the cell of Wodkyrke. Has always endeavoured to keep truth in word and deed towards all people, and therefore the simple true-meaning people have more trust in the word of God plainly uttered by him. Nevertheless the enemies to the truth suspect him to be only an instrument to bring about alterations. The ungodly would gladly see some occasion in him whereby the simple might be slandered and averted from God's word. Asks therefore that he may defer Cromwell's pleasure about Wodkyrke till he is commanded to take away the canons there. Will then give Cromwell a lease thereof. St. Oswald's. *Signed:* "Roberte —— (*blank*) theer."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

1266. Robt. Ferrar, Prior of St. Oswald, to Cromwell.

R. O. The bearer, Robt. Foxley, the King's servant at Pontefract Park, has obtained the King's letter and made suit both to him and his predecessor for "a parcel of tenth," but ceased his suit as it was necessary for the house. Asks Cromwell for leave to make him a reasonable lease at his reasonable request. St. Oswald's. *Signed:* "Roberte Ferrar of the same."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* A° xxx°. The abbot of S. Oswaldes.

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1267. Wm. Stacboll, Chaplain to Lord Butler, to Cromwell.

R. O. Petitions for the advowson of the deanery of Cashel, in Ireland, worth 20 mks. a year, for which lord Butler wrote to Mr. Wriothesley in his favour. The incumbent is an old decrepit man, and holds the deanery by bulls obtained from Rome. Mr. Wriothesley being now beyond the sea on the King's business, he has no one here to sue for him. Begs he may have this to enable him to continue at Oxenford.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. at head:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

1268. Starkey.

R. O. Notes on the argument of a treatise of Pighius (which appears to be the *Hierarchiæ Ecclesiasticæ Assertio* published in 1538), with references to the folios; and sketch of a proposed answer. *Headed:* "Ex Campensi Pigio."

In Starkey's hand, pp. 8.

1269. The Duke of Suffolk.

R. O. "Names of the houses of religion that I, Charles duke of Suffolk, have, enjoy, and am in possession of, by the King's Highness' grant by his letters patent and by Act of Parliament; and also of all such other houses of religion which I have by the inheritance of my wife, daughter and heir to the lord Willoughby, with the yearly values of the same as appeareth in the King's books;" arranged in counties, viz.:—

Norfolk: Bromeholme. *Lincoln:* Revesby, Thornholm, Vawde or Valla Dei, Alvyngham. *Somerset:* Clyff. *Suffolk:* Leiston, Butteley, Eye, Redlyngfeld. *Linc.:* Stanffeld, Hagneby, Grenefeld.

Total value (yearly): 2,028*l.* 0*s.* 1¾*d.*

Large paper, two sheets written on one side.

1270. S. V. [Stephen Vaughan] to Cromwell.

R. O. Lacked time to speak further concerning the communication Cromwell had with him yesterday in the way. Intends today to depart towards Northampton for 14 to 16 days, and then repair to Court. Begs Cromwell's continued favour, and that his Lordship will excuse, to the King, his non-attendance (due to being letted with his foot): henceforth his attendance shall declare he thinks of nothing so much as "a recompence for that is past." Trusts his Majesty will not be against "him that is exceeding sorry and with all his heart will make amends." London, this Saturday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* The paquett of H.

1271. The O'Mores and Lord Leonard Grey.

R. O. St. P. III. 26. "Certain articles alleged for the part of O'More, concerning how grievously my lord Deputy entretyth him; and again the late O'More's sons."

O'More being lineal successor to the last O'More, asked Ormond's favour with the Deputy to get him named O'More, and, by Ormond's advice, gave money to the Deputy for his favour, offering to maintain for the King certain galloglasses; but the late O'Morre's sons attempted to expel the galloglasses, and Leysagh, the eldest of the sons, was slain. O'More was appointed to come to Athy to have the dispute settled, and there, before Stephen Appary and others, Rory, one of the late O'Morre's sons, assaulted and had near slain him. Apparry then carried him prisoner to Rathangan and Dublin, where the Deputy examined him privily whether Ormond had procured him to join O'Conor, and threatened him when he denied it. Was then released by the King's Commissioners. O'More then made a further bond to pay certain rent;* and the lord Deputy, the Commissioners, Ormond, the lord Treasurer, and the Council ordered the

* *See* No. 182.

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lordship of O'More to be rendered to him; but O'Morre's sons, by privy counsel of the Deputy, as appears since, refused, and murdered O'More's messenger in the church. Wonders the little reward paid by O'Morre's sons, who keep 100 plough lands that were Kildare's, is preferred to the rent now granted, which none of O'More's ancestors "condescended to give."

Endd.

1272. The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.*

Balcarres MS. II. 136. Adv. Lib. Edin.

The beginning of his letter shall be to request her to inform him "que vous estes grosse," for it would be a great happiness for her and her whole race. Begs she will keep in the good grace of the King her husband.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A la Royne d'Escosse. *Endd.*

1273. The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 130. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Could not let the bearer depart, who will be despatched by the King to the King her husband, without letting her know that she has no kinsman more anxious to do her service than himself. Begs to have news from her occasionally.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

1274. The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 134. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Begs her to consider that all her race is anxious to do her service. My brother your father sends the bearer (whom you know well) express "pour nous ramantevoir tous en vostre bonne grace," and for my part I should be too happy to show how I desire to do you service.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

1275. The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 133. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Hopes to be excused if he importune her by letter as many times as the bearer says. Is not afraid, however, to importune her again. No one desires more to do her service. Has quite recovered his health. Refers further to bearer.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

1276. The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 126. Adv. Lib. Edin.

The whole of this Court is devoted to her service. She knows how the writer has loved her all his life. Must not fail to inform her of the good office done by the bearer.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Endd. Add.:* A la Royne d'Escosse Madame ma nyepce.

1277. The Cardinal of Lorraine to the Queen of Scotland.

Balcarres MS. II. 135. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Could not let the bearer depart without informing her how much the King is pleased with her, and how she is honoured by the principal persons of this Court.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

* This and the five following letters are placed together for convenience. The first at least was probably written in the latter part of the year 1538. The others may have been, and most of them probably were, written in later years,—perhaps one, or even two of them, after 1542, when the queen of Scotland was a widow. But the dates are quite uncertain.

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1278. Madame de Basqueville to the Queen [of Scotland].

Balcarres MS. iv. 99. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Thinks when the Queen left Rouen she knew something of the writer's devotion; who if she had had no mother would have given her life to her service. Hopes once in her life to see her in France. The news of what God has given her has delighted everyone, showing how much she was loved in France, and how her departure has been regretted. "De vostre maison de Basqueville." *Signed:* "Vostre tres heuble et tres obeysante servante yancō."

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* Madame de Basqueville.

1279. A Preacher Explains Himself.

R. O.

A sermon preached by command on the text *Reddite ergo quæ sunt Cæsaris Cesari et quæ sunt Dei Deo*, in the course of which the preacher, who had been reported against to the King and the lord Privy Seal, protests that he never spoke or preached the words deposed against him, viz., that the peers of the realm would have put Christ to death if he were alive now, for the King and the nobles had set forth the Bible in their mother tongue. He had shown his loyalty in preaching at the time of the insurrection, when he said that in his prince's quarrel he would kill his own father if he would insist on being a rebel. That insurrection was only to maintain superstition, hyprocrisy and abominable living among monks, canons, friars, and nuns. "Well, I pray God open your eyes and then I doubt not but we shall be more gladder for to pull and pluck down the houses of monks, canons, friars and nuns and all other of such sect than ever our predecessors were for to set them up. Yea, and furthermore I say, and if you did know so much as the King's visitors had shown unto them when they visited, then you would marvel greatly, but for the great patience and kindness that our Sovereign lord the King showeth to see their amendment, that any of these religious houses (as they be called) doth stand and remain and be not plucked down or changed to some other good use, the which I pray God that I may see come to pass." Explains the words he really used, which were directed not against the peers but against those who burned Christ's word, who, he said, would have put himself to death if he had been alive now.

Pp. 23. *After the text and translation of it into English the beginning is* "Forasmuch, right honorable audience."

1280. The King's Payments.

Arundel MS. 97 B. M.

Payments in February a° 29°. Saturday, Candlemas day at York Place, the King's offering, 46*s.* 8*d.*. Sunday [3rd], at York Place, the King's offering, 6*s.* 8*d.*, the King's daily alms this week, 37*s.* 11*d.* Sunday, [10th] at York Place, ditto. Sunday [17th] at York Place, ditto. Sunday [24th] at Hampton Court, ditto.

[Note.—The authority upon which a payment is made is generally given in the MS. Some, it will be seen, are by warrant dormant, by warrant of a particular date, by a bill signed by some officer of the Household, or the like. But the majority are "by the King's commandment certified by my Lord Privy Seal's letter," and payments so made are here, for brevity, indicated by an asterisk prefixed.]

The wages of the yeomen of the Chamber, at 12*d.* a day each, for this month of February by warrant, 101*l.* 9*s.* Rowland Rampson and Oliver Rygby, keepers in Waltham Forest, at 6*d.* a day, augmented by 2*d.* a day each by warrant of 31 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII., for keeping the New Lodge and the half hundred of Waltham, making 8*d.* a day from 31 Jan. to 1 March and henceforth, 9*s.* 4*d.* The Almain armourers at Greenwich for one month ending 6 March, 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* The fraternity of St. Clement's without Temple Bar, for one year ending
f. 1 *b.* Feb. a° 29, in way of reward, 6*s.* 8*d.* John Piers and John Belson, "Yomans of the Garde" for themselves and four women "to brush and ayere for the rich cotes of the Garde," two days, by command of Mr. Vice-chamberlain, 6*s.* Ric. Smythe, groom of the Chamber, costs riding from Windsor to Lord Delaware's, 4 days by command of the Council through the vice-chamberlain, 4*s.* Jas. Nedeham, by warrant dormant for 100*l.* monthly for repair of

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the King's manors and places, in full payment of the 100*l.* due 31 Dec. last, besides 50*l.* paid in January, 50*l.* John Maulte, the King's tailor, on warrant of 8 Nov. a° 29, for the coats of seven yeomen of the Guard, and seven sheaf of arrows with cases and girdles, 17*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* Rob. and John Owen, by warrant 22 Nov., for 71*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* for falcons, sakers and colveringes of brass new made, besides 30*l.* paid in January, 41*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* Thos. Welden, chief clerk of the Kitchen, by warrant 17 July a° 29 (*sic*) for 50*l.* "for the apparelling of 33 galapynes of the King's kitchen," besides 25*l.* paid in July a° 28 (*sic*),
f. 2. 25*l.* *Wm. Cholmeley, late cofferer of the household of the Lady Mary and Lady Elizabeth, by my Lord Privy Seal's letter, for surplusage of his final account ended March a° 25, for one half year, 16*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* To Peter Bawde, gun-founder, on a warrant 24 Jan. a° 29 for 210*l.* 2*s.* for new casting certain guns of brass at Houndesdeche beside London, 110*l.* 2*s.* *Swallowe, King's messenger, charges going and coming with important letters to the King of Scots at Hendens Castle, for him and three horses 65 days, 8*l.* *Mr. Pates, late ambassador with the Emperor, in full payment of his diets at 30*s.* a day from 15 Nov. a° 25 to 30 Sept. a° 29, *i.e.* 1,416 days, and for costs of posts and messengers, 203*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *John Caliberghe, the King's reward, 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Peter Collen, blacksmith, by warrant 31 Jan. a° 29, "for two jemys the one of them with a racke and thother with pollys and shores," 40*l.* *Thos. Barnaby, sent in post with important letters to the bp. of Winchester and Sir Fras. Bryan, ambassadors resident in the French Court, charges, 11*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Hen. Ferthing, "sent in great diligence with the King's letters to Mr.
f. 2 *b.* Hutton," agent with the Regent in Flanders, 46*s.* 8*d.* Jas. Nedeham, by warrant dormant for 100*l.* monthly for repair of the King's manors, payment for January, 100*l.* *Ph. Hoby, sent into France about the King's "necessaries and affairs of importance," 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Fras. Pitcher, sent to the bp. of Winchester, ambassador resident in France, with the King's letters of importance, 11*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.*, and sent at this time similarly into Spain, 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Sir Chr. Morrice, by warrant 13 Jan. for 200*l.* to him and other, for furnishing and repairing artillery in the Tower, besides 100*l.* paid in January, 100*l.* The earl of Anguishe, by warrant dormant for 1000*l.* a year payable half yearly, in part payment of half a year's annuity ended 28 Feb. next, 200*l.* The commissioners in the marches of Wales, by warrant 24 Jan., for diets, foreign expenses and wages of an armourer at Ludlow, for one quarter fully run at Christmas last, 218*l.* 18*s.* 11½*d.* *Fras. Philip, reward, 20*l.*
f. 3. *Peter Rede, sent with the King's letters of importance to Sir Thos. Wyat, ambassador resident with the Emperor, 52*l.* 10*s.* The prior of Newarke, by warrant dormant for 200*l.* monthly for buildings at Hampton Court, for this February, 200*l.*

Wages in Feb. a° 29:—13 trumpets at 16*d.* a day, 26*l.*; Philip Welder, luter, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Peter Welder, luter, 28*s.*; John Severnacke, rebeck, 40*s.*; Thos. Evans, rebeck, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. More, harper, 28*s.*; Thos. Bowman, minstrel, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Andrew Newman, the waite, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Noyal Zoole (*or* Zale *or* Sale),† tabret, *nil*; Baltazer, tabret, 28*s.*; Hans Highorn, viall, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Hans Hossenet, viall, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Marke Anthony, sagbut, 40*s.*; Pelegrine, sagbut, 40*s.*; Petir de la Planche, sagbut, 24*s.*; Nic. Vorcifal, sagbut, 55*s.* 6*d.*; Ant. Symond, sagbut, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Nic. Andrewe, sagbut, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Guilliam de Trosshis (*or* Trosshes), minstrel, 53*s.* 4*d.*; Guilliam Dufayt, minstrel, 53*s.* 4*d.*; Morrice Defresne, a writer, 33*s.* 4*d.*; John Madison, yeoman, 28*s.*; John Harrison, yeoman, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Rolt, serjeant-at-arms, 28*s.*; Wm. Lambert, 26*s.* 3*d.*; John Poole, yeoman, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Wm. Poole, yeoman, 14*s.*; Wm. Turnour and Hector Pirton of the toyls, 32*s.*; Wm. Le (*or* Lee), yeoman, 14*s.*; Alex. Gingham, board wages, 16*s.* 8*d.*; Haniball and Fraunces,
f. 3 *b.* two Italians, board wages, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Paul Freland "oystregefedermaker," 22*s.* 2*d.*; Luke Hornebaud, painter, 55*s.* 6*d.*; the children of the Chapel, board wages, 26*s.* 8*d.*; Thos. Walter, a hunt, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Barthol (*or* Barthil) and Hans, dromslades, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Hughe Falconer, 70*s.*; Sir Hen. Pynnago (*or* Pynnogo), 28*s.*; Matthew Falconer, 46*s.* 8*d.*; Gerard Brode, falconer, 30*s.*; John Aprichardes, falconer, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Barker (*or* Bakers), falconer, 28*s.*; Chr. Walleson, falconer, 18*s.* 8*d.*; John Shirwood, falconer,

† These alternatives are from later months.

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18*s.* 8*d.*; Ric. Ellis, falconer. 28*s.*; Ric. Baker, board wages, 6*s.*; Ric. Brandon, falconer, 28*s.*; Thos. Farnall (*or* Fernall), falconer, 28*s.*; Philip Clamp, falconer, 56*s.*; Ralph Aphowel, falconer, 28*s.*; Thos. Aper (Apper, Aperr *or* Apperre), keeper, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Edw. Hawkins, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Robt. Stoner, 14*s.*; John Node (*or* Noode), keeper, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Simon Burton, keeper, *nihil*; John Stoner (*or* Stonard), Oliver Rigby and Rowland Rampson, keepers, 14*s.* each; John Holland, keeper, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Ric. Johnson (John, in Sept.), keeper, 14*s.*; Ric. Haybourn (*or* Heybourn), yeoman, 28*s.*; Wm. Awbury, yeoman of the Crossbows, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Giles Churchil, groom of the Crossbows, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Ric. Wyther, yeoman, 9*s.* 4*d.*; John Broune, yeoman, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Sampson Cleyton, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Wm. Welshe, yeoman, *nihil*; Wm. Paget, clerk of the Signet, 37*s.* 4*d.*; Nic. Worston, clockmaker, 20*s.*; Sir John Wolf, priest, deviser of "herbours," 20*s.*; Thos. Chartres,
f. 4. yeoman, 9*s.* 4*d.*; Matthew de Johanna, caster of the iron bar, 18*s.* 8*d.*; Ant. Denny, yeoman of the Robes, 28*s.*; Guillaume le Craunt, crossbow maker, 9*s.* 4*d.*; the grooms of the buckhounds for finding them meat, 22*s.* 2*d.*; John Willat (Williat), Thos. Johns, Wm. Borras (*or* Borros), Robt. Axe, John Skreven, John Apprice, Ric. Sandel, Rog. Boxwel, John King, Hen. Johns, Geo. Edwardes, John Powes, Thos. Lewes, Wm. Totehil, John Hickeman, John Brompton (*or* Brumpton), Adam Betton, Fulke Langley, Lionel Borras, Armel Grene, Edw. Fox, John Skarlet, Jas. Kinston (*or* Kinson), Thos. Cowper, Ric. Roche, Amyas Hil, John Bettes, John Wavant (*or* Wevant), and Jas. Stanford (*or* Stamford), yeoman, 14*s.* each.

Total payments in February, 1,784*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.*

f. 4 *b.* *March.*—Sunday [3rd] at York Place. Sunday [10th] at York Place, the bp. of Chichester for preaching before the King, the first Sunday in Lent, 20*s.* Sunday [17th] at York Place, the prior of Worcester, preacher, 20*s.* Sunday [24th] at York Place, Dr. Starkey, preacher, 20*s.* Sunday [31st] at York Place, the bp. of Rochester, preacher, on Midlent Sunday, 20*s.* Offerings and weekly alms as in preceding month.

Monthly wages of Almain armourers, 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*, and of yeoman of the chamber 114*l.* 3*s.* 6*d*, Guilliam Duwaite, minstrel, upon a warrant of 28 Feb. a° 29, for half a year's
f. 5. wages paid beforehand, to 1 Sept. next, 16*l.* Thos. Newman and Wm Furnes, trumpeters, on a warrant of 3 March, for the 16*d.* a day which John Fryer, dec., had (*i.e.* 8*d.* a day each), from 15 July last to 1 April next, and afterwards to be paid monthly for life, 17*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Thos. Brome and Arth. Skarlet, trumpeters, on a similar warrant of 3 March for the 16*d.* a day which John Furnes, dec., had, from 10 Nov. last, 9*l.* 8*s.* Hen. Atkins, Wm. Polixhill, John Hopkins, Ric. Wigan, Robt. Grymhil and Adam Gaskin, messengers of the Chamber, riding on the King's business by command of the Council, as appears by bills signed by the Lord Privy Seal, 10*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* David Phinsent, of the Wardrobe of Beds, costs at Westminster while the King was at Hampton Court and Otelaund, 14 days, for furniture and trimming of two beds of down and pillows "for the King's own lying," at Grenewich, on a bill of Mr. Fitzchamberlain (Vice-Chamberlain),
f. 5 *b.* 12*s.* Rob. Reynolde and Thos. Glyn, minstrels, by warrant of 4 Aug. a° 29, for half year's wages due at Lady Day a° 29 and 20*s.* 9*d.* due previously 4*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.* Mr. Wolfate, clerk of the Closet, "for the King's candle burning before King Henry of Windsor," for the year ended Mich. last, 13*s.* 4*d.*, and for that "before our Lady of Doncaster," 20*s.* Thos. Hutton, 4*d.* a day for two quarters ended 31 March. Wm. Betton, organ maker, by the King's livery of 20*l.* a year, three quarters ended at Lady Day, 15*l.* Thos. Davy, by warrant of 31 Dec. a° 29, for 40*s.* a year, one quarter ended 31 March, 10*s.* Wm. Armorer, yeoman of the henchmen, by warrant 20 Jan., one quarter ended 31 March, 35*s.* *Barnard de Mello, "Jermyn," by my lord Privy Seal's letters dated 17 June 30 (*sic*)
f. 6. Hen. VIII., in part payment of his annuity, 70*l.* Edm. Peckeham, cofferer of the Household, by livery dormant dated 26 Feb. a° 29, for 21*l.* a year out of the issues of Audeforde, Echils and Aldersley, Chesh., 15*l.* 15*s.* Yeomen of the Guard at 4*d.* a day, quarter wages ended 31 March, 303*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*, at 6*d.* a day, 76*l.* 10*s.* John Willis, King's rat taker, by livery of 4*d.* a day from 8 Sept. a° 29 to 1 April, 70*s.* 8*d.* *Chr. Mounte, prested towards the charges of his diets at 20*s.* a day, 70*l.* *Philip Hoby and Wm. Swerde, "sometime

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servant to Mr. Hawkyns, dec., ambassador with the Emperor, for two journeys by him laid out by the said Mr. Hawkyns, 45*l.* 5*s.*, and 28*l.* disbursed by the said Philip Hobby for his costs and charges coming in post from Spain to declare the said Mr. Hawkyns departure," 73*l.* 5*s.* Wm. Gonson, on warrant 2 Feb., for wages and victuals due to the keepers of the King's ships "in the river of Thamys at Rye," 93*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* *Philip Hoby, "sent in all possible diligence for the King's affairs in the parts of beyond the sea," 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The earl of Anguishe, in full payment of half a year's annuity ended 28 Feb.
f. 6*b.* 300*l.* Peter Baude, on warrant of 24 Jan., full payment, 100*l.* *The bp. of Winchester, ambassador in the French court, post money, 116*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Thos. Ashe, poticary, "for certain medicines by Dr. Cromer and other physicians, and by the poticary employed for the relief and conservation of the health of the lady Marget Douglas during the time of her being in the Tower of London and also since the same," 14*l.* 4*d.* Morgan Wolf and John Freman, by warrant 17 Feb., for plate delivered at New Year's tide last, 548*l.* 10*s.* 7¼*d.* Commissioners in the marches of Wales, by warrant of 24 Jan., in part payment of the
f. 7. quarter ended Lady Day next, 100*s.* Jas. Nedeham, one month, 100*l.* *Hans *alias* Dythyk, sent to Lubek, and thence to the King of Denmark, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and for another journey, "lately made" to Lubek and the said King, 12*l.* 2*s.* 10*d.* Sir Chr. Morrice, by warrant of 15 Feb. for 350*l.* for buildings and repairs on a new house for the ordnance "to be made within the Tower of London," 200*l.* *Ant. Fagion, Sicilian, "for making of certain devices of bulwarks and blockhouses and other devices," and "for his long waiting and offering of his said service," reward 10*l.* *Lady Margret Douglas, daughter to the earl of Anguishe, for her servants and gentlewomen's wages and board wages, 24*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* The prior of Newerke, one month, 200*l.* Edm. Peckeham, cofferer, by warrant 8 March a° 28, for 6,797*l.* 9*s.* 7*d.*, in full payment of the same for surplusage of the Household ending Mich. a° 28, the rest having been paid in March, April, May, July, Nov. and Dec.
f. 7*b.* last, 191*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* John Hutton, agent in Flanders, for posts, 28*l.* Morgan Wolf, by warrant 6 Feb. a° 28 for 662*l.* 6*s.* 5½*d.* for plate delivered for the King's New Year's gifts a° 28, in full payment, the rest having been paid in March, May and June last, 47*l.* 18*d.* The same by warrant 18 Feb. a° 28 for 300*l.* yearly to be prested to him for preparing plate for the King's said gifts, besides 200*l.* paid in July and Dec. last, 100*l.* Edm. Pecham, cofferer, by warrant 14 March a° 29, for 6,103*l.* 4*s.* 7*d.* for surplusage of the Household for the year ended Mich. last, 100*l.*

Wages of 13 trumpets, &c., names in nearly the same order as in February. Peter de la Planche has *nil*, "*quia mortuus.*" Simon Burton's name is omitted. The amounts paid vary somewhat from those of February as payments have been generally reckoned by that day.

f. 9. Quarter's wages at Lady Day:—Sir Edm. Walsingham, fee, 25*l.*; to him for finding of prisoners, 25*l.*; for wages of the yeomen of the Tower, 36*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.* Percival Hert, fee, 5*l.* Ant. Chabo, surgeon, 10*l.* [Sir]† Thos. Palmer, fee, 50*s.* Nic. Crazer (*or* Crazier), astronomer, 5*l.* Dr. Buts (*or* Buttes), physician, fee, 25*l.* Dr. Bentley, physician, 10*l.* Piro, the French cook, 66*s.* 8*d.* Robt. Draper and John Halile (*or* Alelie), of the Jewel House, 33*s.* 4*d.* each. John Kirbe, of the Jewel House, 26*s.* 8*d.* John Bedel, late of the Jewel House, 33*s.* 4*d.* John Barwicke, of the Leishe, 10*s.* Wm. Wright, bricklayer, *nil.* Hen. Webbe, of the Stable, 66*s.* 8*d.* The Stable:—Thos. Ogle, 50*s.*; Ric. Breham, 50*s.* and 22*s.* 10*d.* board wages; Ant. Imers, 50*s.*; Robt. Webbe, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Ric. Longe, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Jas. Jacson, 20*s.*; Austen Clerk, 20*s.*; Fras. Sidney, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Fraunces de Rege, a rider, 5*l.*; Hannybal, a farrier, 50*s.* Wm. Pennyson, fee, 10*l.* Alex. Gingham,
f. 9*b.* 5*l.* Matthew de Mantua, stud man, 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*; and his servant, 60*s.* 10*d.* Hen. Sell, a hunt, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Wm. Armorer, footman, 10*s.*; Edm. Mody, footman, 15*s.* 2*d.*; old Mistress Knevet, annuity, 22*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*; Ant. Lowe, 22*s.* 10*d.*; Eleanor Hutton, with my lady Mary, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Sir Ric. Bawdewin, priest, 45*s.* 8*d*; Beatrix Aprice, with my lady Mary, 16*s.* 8*d.*; John Day, groom of the Chamber, 50*s.*; John Evans, falconer, 50*s.*; Hugh Harris, falconer, 50*s.*; Luke de Lyarke, gunner, 4*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*; Baltazar de Bolla,

† So at Midsummer, but not at Michaelmas.

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6*l.* 20*d.*; Barnardyne de Bolla, 6*l.* 20*d.*; Sir Wm. Paulet, master of the Wards, 25*l.*, and his clerk, 50*s.*; Hugh Pigot, cook, fee, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Wm. Lewes, instrument maker, 50*s.*; John Haywood, player on the virginals, 50*s.*; Lovell, gardener, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Nic. Clerc, keeper of Hatfield Brodehoke, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Jenyns, of the Pastry, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Wm. Croughton, King's hosier, 35*s.*; Thos. Warde, for the oversight of the King's harness at Windsor, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Mr. Whitington, schoolmaster to thenxmen (the henchmen), 5*l.*; Wm. Hastinges, with the old lady of Norfolk, 25*s.*; John Johnson, messenger, 25*s.*; Wm. Forde, keeper of the mastiffs, 30*s.* 5*d.*; John Parker, of the Stable, board wages, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Irion Brereton, groom of the Privy Chamber, 50*s.*; John Penn, barber, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Nicholson, yeoman of the henchmen, *nil, quia mortuus*; John Demayne, graver, 100*s.*; Wm. Hammon (Hamond), of the Leishe, 20*s.*; Thos. Wodall, sewer, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Sir Edw. Nevel, *nil*, because paid by warrant; Hen. (Robt. *in Mich. Payments*) Webbe, of the Stable, for carrying dung, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Hen. Romains, locksmith, 13*s.* 4*d.*; Chr. Haulte, falconer, 33*s.* 4*d.*;

f. 10. Thos. Warde, keeper of Windsor butts, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Sir Ric. Page, *nil*; Alex. de Bollony, rider, 7*l.* 10*s.*; Ellice Carmillion, "millyver," 33*s.* 4*d.*; Mighel Brosard (Frozard), "moyleharnesmaker," 40*s.* 6*d.*; Wm. Suilliard, fee, 25*l.*; John Fitzwater, clock keeper at Beaulieu, 13*s.* 4*d.*; Thos. Vicary, surgeon, 100*s.*; Sir Nic. Carew, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Sir Thos. Hennage, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Sir John Dudley, master of the armoury, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Wm. Pennyson, of the Stable, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Phelip, a writer, 50*s.*; Thos. Cowper, falconer, 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*; Sir Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, 25*l.*; Geo. Nodes and Geo. Grenefelde, serjeants of the "hounts" (hunts), 5*l.* 14*s.* each. Hunts:—Wm. Haces (Howel *in Mich. Paymts.*), 33*s.* 4*d.*; John Burn, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Jas. Maperley, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Humph. Reynsford, 25*s.*; Ralph Mody, 33*s.* 4*d.* Nic. Purfrey, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Geo. Sutton, late gentleman usher, 50*s.*; John Cockes, footman, 10*s.*; Sir Fras. Bryan, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Myston, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Robt. Hobbes, keeper of the wardrobe at More, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Thos. Spincke, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Eliz. Darrell, 50*s.*; Ant. Toto and Bartilmewe Pen, painters, 12*l.* 10*s.*; John Welsbourn, of the Privy Chamber, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Geo. Dodsworthe, a hunt, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Sir Thos. Seymour, of the Privy Chamber, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Herbert, annuity, 11*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Peter Mighen, a writer, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Thos. Wolward, armourer, 30*s.* 5*d.*; John Lewes, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; John Amadas, yeoman, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Robt. Fowler, deputy keeper of Greenwich, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Alice Fylmer, widow, 7*s.* 7*d.*; Wm. Longe, arrow-

f. 10*b.* head maker, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Wm. Philip, writer, board wages, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Geoff. Bromefeld buckler maker, 15*s.* 2*d.*; Sir Thos. Palmer, 5*l.*; Ric. Bolton, of the Leishe, 10*s.*; Edw. Burgeons, a farrier, 50*s.*; Massy Willard, 5*l.*; Sir Wm. Windesour, 5*l.*; John Pitcher, of Totnam, 20*s.*; Thos. Derby (Darby), clerk of the Privy Council, 5*l.*; Ric. Atzile, polisher of stones, 5*l.*; John Worthe, of the Stable, 66*s.* 8*d.*; Fras. Blake, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Dr. Mighel, physician, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; John Vaughan, sewer, 57*s.*; John Griffith, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Robt. Hinstocke, Geo. Birche, and Geo. Mailour (Nayler), players, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Dr. Tregonel's annuity, 10*l.*; Thos. Decon, porter with the lady Mary, 60*s.* 10*d.*; Thos. Dulsacy, annuity, 13*s.* 4*d.*; Giles Everson, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Thos. Gilbert, late gunner, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Wm. Orwell, messenger, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Thos. Care (*or* Carew), sewer, 5*l.*; Wm. Tolley (Towly), yeoman, 45*s.* 6*d.*; Simon Burton, 50*s.*; Steph. Vaughan, 100*s.*; Walter Dodsworthe, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Chr. Mountabourn (Mountabourne), 100*s.*; John Gurson (Curson), groom of the Chamber, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Wm. Uxley, John Reynolds, and Wm. Blacney (Blackeney), yeomen, 30*s.* 5*d.* each; Ant. Knevet, gentleman usher, 100*s.*; Leonard Storry and Launcelot Stokker, riders, 50*s.* each; Owen Dodsworth, a hunt, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Sir Wm. Pounder, 100*s.*; the warden of the Friars (*or* "of the Grey Friars") of Greenwich for their relief, 25*l.*; John Sodo, poticary to the lady Mary, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Ric. Longe (Sir

f. 11. Ric. *in June*), of the Privy Chamber, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Yerdley, Ph. Chute, Owen Lloid (dawkeeper, 15*s.* 2*d.*), Edw. Hudswell, Geo. Mountjoye, Robt. Kirke, David Morgan, Ric. Keys, Thos. Smithe (page of the Chamber, 50*s.*), Ric. Lewes, Edw. Davy (David), Ric. Sentlowe, Ric. Fisher (Fysshe), John Tournour, and Thos. Walton, yeomen, 45*s.* 6*d.* each; Wm. Willis, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Sir Ric. Longe, master of the buckhounds, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Walter Goodson, hunt, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Sir Ric. Longe, master of the hawks, 10*l.*;

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Edm. Harman, Robt. Bocher (Bowcher), and John Genyngs (Jenyns), grooms of the Privy Chamber, 50*s.* each; Ric. White and John Everingham (Everington, Erringham), yeomen, 30*s.* 5*d.* each; Thos. Moreton, yeoman, 25*s.*; Hans Holben, painter, 7*l.* 10*s.*; John Davye (Davis), fee, 50*s.*; Ant. Kingston, serjeant of the hawks, *nil*; Thos. Dodsworth, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Laur. Cooke, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; John Yonge, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Chr. Erington, rider, 50*s.*; John Alif, surgeon, 100*s.*; Mrs. Eliz. Oxenbrige (Uxenbridge), 66*s.* 8*d.*; Hugh Lee, of the Leish, 10*s.*; (John) Wolf, armourer, 40*s.* 6*d.* Thos. Paston, annuity, 11*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Nic. Hare, annuity, 25*l.*; John Care, paymaster and overseer of the works at Hounesdon, 4*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*; Mich. Stannop, of the Stable, 66*s.* 8*d.*; John Broune, yeoman, 30*s.* 5*d.*; Sir Edw. Nevel, fee, *nihil*.

11*b.* Half year's wages at the Lady Day a° 29:—Firewood for the yeomen of the Tower, 26*s.* 8*d.*; Sir Hen. Pynnogo, 10*l.*; Sir Ant. Broune, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Sir Fras. Bryan, master of the toyles, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Parker, of the Stable, 10*l.*; Sir John Nevel, 10*l.*; lady Anne Grey, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Robt. Fowler, annuity, 10*l.*; Robt. Seymer, 100*s.*; Master Wolfate, clerk of the Closet, for wages of certain priests, 60*l.*; Sir Thos. Spert, clerk of the King's ships, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; John Clement, physician, 10*l.*; Nich. Sampson, fee, 50*s.*; Basterd Falconbrige, 10*l.*; Wm. Morraunt, annuity, 100*s.*; John Till, annuity, 70*s.*; Mighel Marcatour, organ maker, 11*l.* 5*s.*; Sir John Russell, 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Archaungel Arcan, gunner, 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, and his servant, 60*s.* 10*d.*; Sir John Gifford, 100*s.*; Sir Laur. Staborons, 17*l.* 10*s.*; John Mynne, clerk to the general surveyors, 100*s.*; John Rydley, groom of the long bows, 20*s.*; Nich. Fytton, annuity, 10*l.*; Austen de Augustyns, physician, 25*l.*; John Slee (Slye), player, 33*s.* 4*d.*; Robt. Forde, annuity, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Edm. Connysbe, groom of the Chamber, 60*s.* 10*d.*; John Hynde, "surveyor of the King's livery for lands," 25*l.*; Peter Mewtas, of the Privy Chamber, 10*l.*; Thos. Mynton,

f. 12. the King's scholar, 100*s.*; the King's candle before Our Lady of Walsingham, 43*s.* 4*d.*; to the prior there "for the King's salary before Our Lady," 100*s.*; Ric. Candishe, annuity, 100*s.*; John Norres, yeoman, 20*s.*

Total payments in March, 4,445*l.* 12*s.* 0¼*d.* Total from 1 Jan. 29 Hen. VIII., 7,706*l.* 11*s.* 1½*d.*

f. 12*b.* *April* a° 30.—Sunday [7th], at York Place, Dr. Willson, preacher on Passion Sunday, 20*s.* Sunday [14th], at Greenwich, Dr. Cromer, preacher on Palm Sunday, 20*s.* Forty-eight poor men at the King's maundy on Maundy Thursday [18th], 48 pence each, and four dozen purses for them, 2*s.* Good Friday [19th], at Greenwich, offering, 20*s.* Sunday [21st], at Greenwich, the King's offerings "at resurrection," 6*s.* 8*d.*; "at taking his rights in the morning," 6*s.* 8*d.*; "at high mass," 13*s.* 4*d.*; heralds at arms for largess on Easter Day, 5*l.*; the cooks of the Kitchen, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the officers of the Pastry, 20*s.*; the officers of the Equillery (*sic*), 20*s.*; the porters of the Gate, 53*s.* 4*d.*; "thenxmen for their howsingling money," 20*s.*; the King's offering on Easter Monday, 6*s.* 8*d.* Tuesday [23rd], St. George's Day, the King's offering 6*s.* 8*d.*; offering at requiem mass, 6*s.* 8*d.*; fraternity of St. George, 13*s.* 4*d.*; heralds at arms for largess, 100*s.*; offerings on Easter Wednesday and St. Mark's Day, 6*s.* 8*d.* each. Sunday [28th], at Greenwich. Offerings and weekly alms as in preceding month.

f. 13. Month's wages of yeomen of the chamber, 110*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*; of Almain armourers, 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*; *Ric. Wegan, John Hopkyns, Hen. Atkins, Robt. Grymhill, Adam Gaskyn, and Wm. Pollixhill, messengers of the Chamber, riding by command of the King and divers of his Council, as appears by bills signed by my lord Privy Seal, 12*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* Robt. Draper, John Halile, and John Kyrby, of the Jewel House, board wages when absent from Court from 20 Feb. to 3 March a° 29, at 8*d.* a day each; also Draper and Halile, board wages attending at the Tower after Christmas last to receive certain plate, as accustomed yearly; also board wages of all three when absent from Court by the King's command from 7 to 18 April (Shire Thursday), a° 29; in all 60*s.* 16*d.* Edm. Peckeham, cofferer, on warrant of 14 March a° 29, for surplusage, part payment, 3,766*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Matth. Kinge, for bringing the King's letters out of Ireland, "declaring the submission of

f. 13*b.* Ochom and James," and for his return with answer, 100*s.* *Fras Pitcher, sent in post with letters of importance to the Court of Spain, going and coming, 240 ducats at 5*s.* each,

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60*l.* Jas. Nedeham, 100*l.* (as before). Sir Fras. Bryan, ambassador with the French king, on warrant of 6 April, in prest upon his diets at 53*s.* 4*d.* a day, &c., 200*l.* *Thos. Darby, for Robt. Trewman, 10*l.* Dr. Thurleby, ambassador sent at this time into France, on warrant of 6 April, prest for diets at 40*s.* a day, &c., beginning 6 April, 300*l.* Dr. Haynes, ambassador with the Emperor, on warrant of 7 April, prest for diets at 40*s.* a day, &c., beginning 5 April, 335*l.* Dr. Bonner, agent and ambassador with the Emperor, on warrant
f. 14. of 7 April, prest for diets at 40*s.* a day, &c.,from 6 April, 335*l.* *Leonard Skevington, captain of the garrison at Nottingham, wages of himself and men from 18 Jan. last to 30 May next, four months, 56*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* Sir George Lawson, on warrant dormant, for 20 gunners, "for their wagis in a newe crewe within the towne and castle of Barwicke," besides 114*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* paid him last November, 69*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*; the same for the same in part payment of wages due at Michaelmas next, 100*l.* The prior of Newark, 200*l.* (as before). *Thos. Barnaby, "sent into Hispayne with certain protestations newly imprinted," for his going, 30*l.* Jerom Bruyn, merchant, on warrant of 28 March a° 29, "for certain demi haks complete, gunpowder with certain matches and javelins" delivered into the Tower, particulars in a bill annexed signed by Sir Chr. Morrice and Ant. Anthony, 504*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
f. 14*b.* The bp. of Hereford, King's almoner, on warrant 17 April a° 29, for alms on Good Friday, 100*l.* *James Hamelton, "a gentleman of Scotland," reward, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Hen. Johnson, on warrant of 24 March a° 29 for 200*l.*, for casting of ordnance at Salisbury Place, Houndesdich, and Calais, and for stocking, wheeling, and iron work, part payment, 50*l.* *Lady Margaret Douglas, to the hands of Dr. Cromer, for preparations against Easter, 20*l.* *Rothissey, "herald at arms with the King's dearest nephew the king of Scots," reward, 20*l.* *Fras. Blake, reward, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* John Breket, on warrant of 7 April for 50*l.* for apparelling 33 gallapynes of the King's kitchen, part payment, 25*l.*

f. 15, 15*b*, 16. Wages in April.—13 trumpets, *as before.* Also "four other trumpets at 8*d.* a day each," 4*l.* Then follows the luters and others as in March, except Petir de la Planch, who is omitted. Sir John Wolf is styled "planter of graftes."

Total in April 6,645*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

f. 16*b.* *May*, a° 30.—Offering on SS. Philip and James Day, 6*s.* 8*d.* Sunday [5th] at Hampton Court. Sunday [12th] at Waltham. Sunday [19th] at Havering. Sunday [26th] at Greenwich. Offering on Holy Thursday [30th], 6*s.* 8*d.* Sunday offerings and weekly alms as before.

Wages of Almain armourers, 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*, and of yeomen of the Chamber, 110*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* Rob. Owen, John Stephens, John Kellam, and Hen. Atkyns, messengers of the Chamber, riding by command of the Council, on bills signed by the Council, 62*s.* 4*d.* Rowland Rudgeley, yeoman of the Wardrobe of Beds, lying at the Tower to receive and make ready certain stuff, 26 days at 20*d.* a day, on a bill signed by Sir Wm. Kingiston, vice-
f. 17. chamberlain, 43*s.* 4*d.* John Bonntauns, minstrel, on warrant of 21 March a° 29, for 16*d.* a day from 18 Feb. last to 1 June next in the room of Petir Planche, dec., 6*l.* 16*s.* Sir Nich. Carewe, master of the Horses, on warrant of 28 Feb. a° 29 for certain provision for the Stable, shown in a bill annexed, 79*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* *Wm. Muriell, servant to my lord of Winchester, ambassador with the French king, "sent at this time in great diligence with the King's letters of importance," 80 crs. soleil at 4*s.* 8*d.* each, 18*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Morgan Wolf, King's goldsmith, on warrant of 20 March a° 29 for 173*l.* 10*s.* 8½*d.*, for plate made and given to the bp. of Terby, the French king's ambassador, and "for a certain cup given at the christening of the earl of Hertford's son," part payment, 20*l.* *Arthur Nowell, sent "with the King's letters of great importance to the King's ambassador resident in the French king's Court," 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Sir Thos. Wyat, ambassador with the
f. 17*b.* Emperor, to the hands of Sir Thos. Poninges and Geo. Blagly, on warrant of 1 April a° 29, for diets in advance at 54*s.* a day for a whole year ended 31 March next, 654*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* Jas. Nedeham, 100*l.* as before. *Mighel Storry, sent with "letters of importance" to Sir Fras. Bryan, ambassador resident with the French king, 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Edm. Peckeham, cofferer, on warrant of 14 March for surplusage, besides payments in March and April, part payment, 216*l.* 9*s.* 1½*d.* Sir John Dudley, on warrant of 15 April

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a° 29, for gowns, &c., of 21 officers of the Armoury named in a bill annexed, viz., for each 4 yds. of broad cloth at 5*s.* for a gown, 3 yds. of kersey for a doublet and pair of
f. 18. hose, at 2*s.*, 28*l.* 6*s.* Henry Johnson, on warrant of 24 March, for casting ordnance, besides payment in April, part payment, 100*l.* *Sir Fras. Bryan, ambassador resident with the French king, diets and postages, 250*l.* *Thos. Barnaby, sent with "letters of great importance," to Sir Fras. Bryan and Dr. Thurleby, ambassadors resident with the French king, 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The prior of Newarke, 200*l.* as before. *Lady Seymor, reward, 40*l.* *Sir Thos. Clifford, for repairs done on the walls of Berwick, particulars in a bill annexed 52*l.* *Geo. Gonnasse, sent with "letters of great importance" to Mr. Hutton, ambassador
f. 18*b.* resident with the Regent in Flanders, going and coming, 7*l.* The Commissioners in the Marches of Wales, on warrant of 24 Jan. a° 29 due at Lady Day last, besides payment in March, 213*l.* 18*s.* 11½*d.* John Bryket, on warrant of 7 April for the galapynes, besides payment in April, full payment, 25*l.* Sir Geo. Lawson, for the 20 gunners in Berwick (as in April), part payment, for the year ending Michaelmas next, 60*l.* Thomas (*sic*) Hutton, agent in Flanders with the Regent and Emperor's Council, on warrant dormant of 6 June at 29 for diets at 20*s.* a day "for iiij months advanced to him beforehand beginning iij° Marcii anno xxx° and ending xxiij° Augusti next following," 112*l.* Robert and John Owen, on warrant of 20 May a° 30, for ordnance new made and cast, shown in a bill annexed, 23*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* Peter Bawde, gunfounder, on warrant of 18 April a° 29, for 32*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* for casting and new making brass guns, part payment, 19*l.*

Wages in May.—Trumpets, &c., as in April. Hans Hosnet is here called Hans Highorn, probably a mere clerical error, while Hans Highorn appears as Thomas
f. 20. Highorne. Dufayte has *nihil.* Sir John Wolf is again styled "devisour of herbours."

Total in May, 2,587*l.* 0*s.* 3*d.*

f. 20*b.* *June*, a° 30.—Sunday [2*d.*] at St. James'. Sunday [9th] at Eltham, the King's offering on "taking his rights," 6*s.* 8*d.*, the heralds' largess, 5*l.*, and offerings on Whitsun Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, each day 6*s.* 8*d.* Sunday [16th] at Greenwich, the King's offering on Corpus Christi Day [20th] and on taking his rights, 6*s.* 8*d.* each. Sunday [23d] at York Place, offering on Midsummer day, 6*s.* 8*d.*; the grooms of the Hall for making a bonfire on St. John's night, 10*s.*; offering on St. Peter's day, 6*s.* 8*d.* Sunday [30th] at York Place. The usual Sunday offerings and weekly alms.

The fraternity of St. Dunstan's in the West, for the year ended at St. Peter's tide a° 30, 40*s.* Wages of yeomen of the Chamber, 107*l.* 12*d.*, and of Almain armourers 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Robert Dell Woode, clerk of the Checke, hire of a house in London for the great
f. 21. standards and rich coats of the Guard, for one quarter ended at Midsummer a° 30, 8*s.* 8*d.* John Johnson, master of the King's barge, for "burning and tallowing of the King's great barge called *the Lion*," 10*s.*, and for bringing the same from London to Greenwich and thence to Gravesend and back, three days, himself and twenty-four men, viz.: two days himself at 2*s.* and the men at 12*d.* each, and one day coming from London to Greenwich, himself at 16*d.* and his men at 8*d.*, on a bill signed by Mr. Vicechamberlain. Fras. Pitcher, Rob. Smithe, and Adam Gaskyn, messengers of the Chamber, riding by command of the Council, as appears by bills signed by divers of the Council, 41*s.* 8*d.* The yeomen of the Guard at 6*d.* a day for one quarter ended 30 June a° 30, by warrant, 78*l.* 7*s.*, those at 4*d.* a day, 298*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.* Philip Hoby, groom of the Privy Chamber, on warrant of 4 Feb. a° 30 (*sic*) for 10*l.* a year, for the quarter ended Midsummer, 50*s.* John Siddenham, on warrant of 18 April a° 29 for 4*d.* a day for 73 days from 19 April last
f. 21*b.* to 31 July next, 24*s.* 4*d.* Edm. Hodgeson, broderer, on warrant of 18 April a° 29, for 6*d.* a day one quarter, 2 April to 30 June, 45*s.* Thos. Culpeper, on warrant dormant of 14 June a° 30, for 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* yearly, one quarter ended at Midsummer, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Morgan Wolf, King's goldsmith, on warrant of 20 March (recited as in May) full payment, 153*l.* 10*s.* 8½*d.* Sir Geo. Lawson, for 20 gunners (as in April and May) full payment of wages due Michaelmas next. Peter Bawde, on warrant of 18 April (recited
f. 22. as in May) full payment, 13*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* Jas. Nedeham, on warrant of 28 May a° 30 for 425*l.* towards repairs of the King's manors of Otford and Knolle, Kent, and Petworth,

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Suss., and two new chambers and a watching chamber at More, part payment, 225*l.* Hen. Johnson, on warrant of 24 March (recited as in April) full payment, 50*l.* Sir Chr. Morrice, on warrant of 15 Feb. for building a new house for ordnance in the Tower, and for "tiling of other houses of ordnance which the prior of St. Bartholomews heretofore caused to be made" besides 200*l.* paid in March, 150*l.* Edm. Peckeham, cofferer, for surplusage (as in May) 1,520*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.* *Sir Thos. Wyat, ambassador resident with the Emperor to the hands of John Morris, his servant, for money disbursed
f. 22*b.* for posts as appears by my lord's letter, 290*l.* *John Beamounte and Robt. Catlyn, "sent at this time by the King's Highness to the abbot of Wobourn and other to give evidence against them," 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Tadeus, the courier, sent "in great haste" with the King's letters to Sir Fras. Bryan, ambassador resident with the French king, going and coming, 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The prior of Newark, 200*l.* as before. *The Chief Justice of Ireland and Master of the Rolls there, reward, 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Robert Symple, a gentleman of Scotland, reward, 14*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The bp. of Hereford, on warrant of 8 June a° 30 for 232*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* disbursed upon the King's works "within the new College Royal within the university of Cambridge, over and besides other sums of money by him received and employed about the said works," part payment, 100*l.* *Thos. Johns, sent at this time into Ireland with letters of importance, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Sir Barnard van Melakt, "sent at this time in message to the King's Highness from the duke of Saxony and certain
f. 23. princes of Jermaynye," reward, 70*l.* Wm. Welshe, groom of the Chamber, his whole year's wages prested in advance at 6*s.* 8*d.* a month from 30 June next, 4*l.* *Francis Pytcher, sent with letters of importance, to the ambassadors with the French king and Emperor, going and coming, 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The earl of Anguishe, on a warrant dormant for 1,000*l.* a year, part payment of the half year ended 1 Sept. next, 200*l.*

Wages in June:—Of 13 trumpeters, &c., as in May. Hanns Hossenet again instead of
f. 23 *b.* Hans Highorn. John Bountauns, tabret, 40*s.* is additional.

ff. 24 *b.*-27. Quarter's wages at Midsummer:—Similar list to that for Lady Day a° 29, the order of the names being somewhat different. The following entries are omitted:—Wm. Wright, bricklayer, Nicholson, yeoman of the henchmen, Sir Ric. Page, Sir John Dudley, master of the Armoury, Edm. Harman, and Sir Edw. Nevel. The following are additional entries:—Wm. Armorer, yeoman of the henchmen, 35*s.*; Wm. Beton, organ maker, 100*s.*; Thos. Davy, yeoman, 10*s.*; Sir John Gage "for his half year's fee," 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Dr. Mighel here appears as "Dr. Mighel de la Se, physician to the Lady Mary," 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Hans Holbein (Holbyn) has one whole year's annuity, advanced to him from Lady Day last, 30*l.*; the two Bollas are described as "myllyvers."

Total payments in June a° 30, 4,758*l.* 0*s.* 5½*d.*

f. 27 *b.* *July.*—Sundays [7th and 14th] at Hampton Court. Sunday [21st] at Okyng. Sunday [28th] at Petworth; offering on St. James' Day, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the heralds at arms at the creation of the lord Dawbeney, earl of Bridgewater, 21 July, 66*s.* 8*d.* Offerings and weekly alms as before.

Payments:—To John Belson and John Piers, yeomen of the Chamber, for conveying 77 bows and 3 javelins and 77 sheaves of arrows from the Tower and from the King's fletchers, "for the yeomen of the Guard to ride with the King in his progress, and for the carriage of it thence to the White Friars in Fleet Street for the King's use by the space of iij days, every of them by the commandment of Mr. Vicechamberlain," 7*s.* 4*d.* Wages of the Almain armourers from 27 June to 24 July, 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* *Jas. Joskyn, clerk of the wardrobes and Launcelot Aldeforde, groom of the same, with servants and horses, 10 days at 2*s.* a day each, "furnishing of the lord Prince Edwarde house with wardrobe stuff" and
f. 28. riding to Newhalle for stuff for the same, on the lord Privy Seal's bill, 40*s.* Ralph Holfforde, Geoff. Johnes, Thos. Hawkins, Chr. Chapman, Chr. Lambert, Robt. Smythe, John Smythe, Thos. Hiltoune, Ralph Eyre, Walter Vaughan, Lyonel Mertyn, and John Aphowell, yeomen, grooms and messengers of the Chamber, riding by command of the Council as appears by several bills signed by divers of the Council, 8*l.* 7*s.* The yeomen of

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the Chamber, wages, 109*l.* 9*s.* The bp. of Hereford, on warrant of 8 June a° 30†, for works "within the new church of the King's college in the University of Cambridge," full payment 132*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* Jas. Nedeham, on warrant of 28 May, full payment, 200*l.* *Fras. Pytcher, courier, sent with letters of importance to Sir Fras. Bryan and other ambassadors in the French Court, going and coming, 35*l.* Edm. Pekham, cofferer, on warrant of 14 March
f. 28*b.* a° 29, full payment, 500*l.* Roger Smith, the King's scholar at Oxford, on warrant dormant, one whole year's payment in advance due at Midsummer next, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Ric. Candishe, and other commissioners "to have the oversight of the King's mines of gold in Suffolk and to convey certain finers and other artificers there for the trial of the ore there," 20*l.* *Thos. Barnaby, sent with letters of importance to the ambassadors resident with the Emperor, going and coming, 56*l.* Commissioners in the Marches of Wales, on warrant dormant of 24 Jan. a° 29, for the quarter ended St. John's Day, 218*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.* *Jas. Distre, reward, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Ric. Lucas, for "bringing one Bonaventure, a friar of Newark," 40*s.* *Sir Thos. Wentwourthe, captain of Carlisle Castle, for repairs done at the said castle, particulars in a bill signed by him, 53*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.* Wm. Gonson, gentleman for
f. 29. the Body, on warrant of 14 June, for the ships at Rye and in the Thamys, for 6 months from 23 Dec. a° 29, 78*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.* Laur. Askewe, for "the apprehension, keeping and taking of William Whetherall and conveying him to Durisme and hither, and his servant with him," reward, 100*s.* The prior of Newerke, for the month, 200*l.* Dirike Dethike, on warrant of 25 April for "200 staves by him made for jousts, by the King's commandment, with all manner garnishments necessary and requisite for the same," 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Fras. Pitchar, courier, sent, 4 July, with letters to Sir Fras. Bryan and other ambassadors in France, who were thought to be then between Avignon and Lyons, but, at his coming, were as far as Aquas Mortes and he was "compelled thereby to a greater charge than he could bear with 35*l.*, at that time to him appointed," as a liberal reward for his further riding and
f. 29*b.* diligence, 10*l.* Hen. Huttoft, on warrant of 12 July, a loan to be repaid in ten years, 2,000*l.* *Wm. Wade, servant to Sir Piers Edgecombe, 60*s.* for bringing hither, from Cornwall, Manuel George and Wm. Wynget, miners, "to be sent at this time into Suffolk to try and work at the new mine;" and to the said George and William "for their charges going down to Suffolk, upon a reckoning of their wages," 6*l.* *John Horseley, for "sure conveyance of one Miller late called Lancaster and also the Vicar of Newarke unto York and there to be reigned" (arraigned), 100*s.* *Sir Fras. Bryan, by warrant of 6 April a° 29 ambassador resident in the French Court, diets and post money, 250*l.* The earl of Anguishe, on warrant dormant, part payment of 500*l.* due for half year ended 1 Sept. next, besides
f. 30. payment in June, 66*s.* 8*d.* Jas. Nedeham, 100*l.* as before. *Fras. Pytcher, sent with letters of importance to the ambassadors resident with the French king, being at Lyons, going and coming, 28*l.* *John Apprice, expenses "in his journey made of late about certain the King's affairs into the parts of Wales, and other sums defrayed to other persons about the same business," 15*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* *Thos. Throwyden, and Wm. Deceythe, "for as much as they be dismissed from his Grace's affaires in Suffolk," for their charges, going and coming, 5*l.*

Wages in July, a° 30.—Of 13 trumpeters, &c., as in June. Baltazer, tabret, is omitted, and Wolf, priest, is styled "maker and devisour of the King's herbors and planter of graftes."

Total payments in July, a° 30, 4,265*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*

f. 31*b.* *August, a°* 30.—Sunday [4th], at Cowdrey. Sunday [11th], at Portsmouth. Sunday [18th], at Arundel. Sunday [25th], at Ewrige. Offerings and weekly alms as usual, and also offerings of 6*s.* 8*d.* on the days of St. James, Our Lady and St. Bartholomew.

The yeomen of the Chamber, for August, 107*l.* 12*s.* Almain armourers, 25 July to 21 Aug., 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Walter Vaughan, Laur. Serle, Ric. Clerke, and Robt. Grenehil, yeomen, grooms and messengers of the Chamber, riding by command of the Council, 74*s.* *Thos. Spencer, Brian Bradford, and their company, "conveying of a prisoner, one James Prestwiche, from York hither, and for their return home again," 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Tadeus Bolle, sent, with letters of importance, into Flanders to Mr. Hutton, ambassador

† So in MS., although the Bp. was dead at that date.

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f. 32. resident with the Regent there, 7*l.* *Nic. Depelle, courier, sent, with letters of importance, to Mr. Wyat, ambassador with the Emperor in Spain, going and coming, 30*l.* Jas. Nedeham, for June and July, 200*l.* *Lewes Johns and Ric. Bleke, costs, "for 13 men and so many horses, made in conveying hither to London of Roger Vaughan and Thos. Vaughan, prisoners, out of the parts of Wales," and for their repair home again, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Mr. Hutton, ambassador in Flanders, for posts, 14*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* Cornelis Johnson, King's smith, on warrant of 11 Aug., prest for new making certain ordnance of iron, "as porte peces slynges and basses," 150*l.* *Ph. Hobby, "sent into the parts of beyond the sea with all diligence," 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Chr. Mounte, sent to certain princes of Germany for "affairs of importance," 40*l.* The prior of Newerke, 200*l.*, as before.

f. 32*b*. *Clarencius, king at arms, Somerset herald, Rouge Dragon and Rouge Cross, pursuivants at arms, going to York to give evidence against "Thomas Myller, sometime Lancaster," and returning, 24*l.* *Sir John Dego de Mendosa, one of the Emperor's ambassadors here now resident, reward, to return toward his master, 400*l.* The bp. of Carlisle, on warrant of 22 Aug., he being registrar of the Order of the Garter, "for impetracion of the grace and mercy to the soul of the earl of Shrewsbury, late one of the companions of the said noble order," 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Rosse, herald at arms to the King of Scots, reward, 10*l.* John Hutton, ambassador and agent in Flanders, diets at 20*s.* for four months in advance, from 23 Aug. to 12 Dec. next, 112*l.*

f. 32*b*—33*b*. Wages in August, a° 30.—Of the trumpeters, &c., as in July. Hugh Falconer and Fulk Langley do not appear in this list, but the name of the latter, which reappears in Sept. no doubt occurred on a lost leaf.

One or more leaves are here wanting.

f. 34. "Yet payments in September, a° xxx°."—Ric. Ellis, falconer, at 12*d.* a day, upon warrant of 7 July for 16*d.* a day, which Hugh Ellis, dec., had, from 30 June to 1 Oct. next, that is, 4*d.* a day more than his present wages, and so afterwards to be paid monthly, 30*s.* 8*d.* Ant. Sainctleger, of the Privy Chamber, on warrant of 4 July for 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year, payable quarterly from Lady Day last, two quarters, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Dr. Bonner, ambassador "in the parts beyond the sea," on warrant dormant for diets at 40*s.* and postage, 338*l.* 10*s.* The earl of Anguishe, full payment for the half year ended 1 Sept., 296*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Sir Wm. Pennyson, reward "for his attendance upon Madame de Montrelly and certain other French ladies coming out of Scotland both at their being in London and in their journey from thence to Dover," 40*l.* The yeomen of the Guard

f. 34*b*. at 6*d.* a day for the quarter ending 30 Sept., 78*l.* 4*s.* Wm. Hunte, gunner, on warrant of 5 Sept., in prest to be "employed about the making and furnishing of the King's Highness' devices of certain pieces of artillery," 25*l.* Dr. Heynes, "one of the ambassadors in the parts of beyond the sea," on warrant of 6 April, full payment of diets at 40*s.* from 6 April to 31 Aug., 76*l.* 5*s.* *Mr. Writhesley, money disbursed to a servant of Mr. Halis, Master of the Rolls, for bringing one Hen. King out of Thanet, 20*s.*, "and to two servants of the bp. of Thetford for bringing Gervaise Tyndale, 40*s.*, and to the said Geffrey (*sic*) for his costs coming and returning, and tarrying at Lewes ij or iij days," 22*s.* 6*d.*, and "for so much money by him laid out in sundry parcels by way of his Majesty's rewards unto sundry monks and chief officers of Christchurch in Canterbury, and also to sundry servants and labourers travailing about the disgarnishing of a shrine and other things there," 23*l.* 16*s.* Dr. Thurleby, ambassador resident in the Court of France, on warrant of 6 April a° 29, diets at 40*s.* and postages, 150*l.* *Thos. Barnaby, reward, going and coming with the King's letters into France,

f. 35. 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Mons. Guydo, reward, 50*l.* *Mr. Stephen Vaughan, sent at this time into Flanders to be the King's agent there, prest of diets at 20*s.* from 17 Sept., 50*l.* The Commissioners in the Marches of Wales, a quarter's payment due at Michaelmas next, 218*l.* 18*s.* $11\frac{3}{4}$*d.* *Wm. Wyndet (*sic*), miner, and Manuel George, finer, "at this time despatched out of the King's mine in Suffolk," costs and also wages, "working and labouring there in the said mine or mines," 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Thos. Callard and his fellow, servants to Sir Thos. Denys, "riding once from Devonshire, bringing up a priest called

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Gulphinus of Bretayne, suspect of treason," 4*l.* The prior of Newerke 200*l.*, as before. *Leonard Skevington, captain of the garrison at Nottingham Castle, wages of himself and men at 14*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.* a month from 20 May last to 2 Dec. next, 99*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

f. 35*b.* Wages in Sept., a° 30—Of trumpeters, &c., as in August and July.† Ric. Haybourn, yeoman, is omitted, and the wages of the Almain armourers from 19 Sept. to 16 Oct. are entered here.

f. 36*b.* Quarter's wages at Michaelmas, a° 30.—Similar list to that at Midsummer. An additional item is:—Thos. Culpeper, fee, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The Bollas are here styled "myllyners," Sir Edw. Nevel and Hans Holbyn, have nothing because paid by warrant, the space for Sir John Gaage's half year's fee is left blank, Jas. Jacson, Barnardyne de Bolla, and Thos. Ward receive nothing because dead.

f. 39. Barnarde de Mela, German, in full payment of his pension of 300 crs. a year up to Michaelmas besides 70*l.* paid at Lady Day and "other sums paid heretofore by Sir Brian Tuke, knight, and by John Gostwic, esquire,, 65*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* Philip Hobby, 50*s.* Edm. Hogeson, 45*s.* 6*d.* John Sydnam, 30*s.* 5*d.*

Half year's wages at Michaelmas, a° 30—As at Lady Day. Master Leighton appears, instead of Master Wolfate, as clerk of the Closet. For the King's candle before Our Lady of Walsingham, and to the prior there for his salary, *nil.* The following are additional:—Robt. Reynolds and Thos. Glyn, minstrels, 66*s.* 8*d.*.; John Wolly, rattaker, 60*s.* 10*d.*

f. 40. *October*:—Sundays [6th, 13th, 20th, 27th,] at York Place. Offerings and weekly alms as usual, and also offerings on St. Luke's, and SS. Simon and Jude's days.

Wages of Almain armourers, 17 Oct. to 13 Nov., 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*; of the yeomen of the Chamber at 12*d.* a day for October, 108*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* *Thos. Swallowe, messenger of the Chamber, riding on the King's business, 73*s.* 4*d.* Arthur Dewes, player on the luke (*sic*), on warrant of 13 Oct. for 4*d.* a day from 1 Sept. to 1 Nov., and after that to be paid monthly, 20*s.* 4*d.* Mr. Ric. Long, master of the Buckhounds, for carriage of the cart for the said hounds, and money given to keepers of parks, &c., in the King's

f. 40*b.* last progress, where they have hunted, 10*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* Sebastian Lesseney, born in Normandy, one of the King's clockmakers, on warrant of 2 April a° 29, for 8*d.* a day from 31 March to 1 Nov., and after that to be paid monthly, 7*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* *Thos. Barnaby, "riding in post at this time with the King's letters of importance" to Mr. Wriothesley, and Mr. Vaughan, ambassadors in Flanders, 100*s.* *Lady Margaret Douglas, "reward by her to be employed about her necessaries," 20*l.* *A captain of Scotland called Bortyke now passing over into France, reward 20*l.* Sir Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, wages of his clerk for one year ended at Michaelmas, 20*l.* *Dr. Kerne, "sent at this time to the Court of Flanders with his Grace's commission of greatest importance," prest for diets to be hereafter fixed, 50*l.* *Fras. Pytcher, "sent at this time to the Court of Flanders, with the King's letters of importance, to his ambassadors there, being about Compaigne or Cambray," 100*s.* *Philip Hoby, of the Privy Chamber, "sent at this time in post with all celerity" with the King's letters to the Emperor and Sir Thos. Wyatt,

f. 41. ambassador, going and coming, 150*l.* Sir Chr. Morrys, master of the Ordnance, on warrant of 12 Oct. a° 30, for 200*l.* to be employed with the advice of Jas. Nedeham, Hen. Johnson, and Ant. Anthony, on the building of a new ordnance house in the Tower and on other buildings and repairs lately committed to him, part payment, 100*l.* *Thos. Barnaby, sent in post with letters to Sir Ant. Broune, ambassador in France, 100*s.* *Nic. Pelley courier, "sent now in post and appointed as a guide to ride in post with Mr. Hobby to the Emperor's Court," 10*l.* *Robt. Trewman, reward, 4*l.* *Mr. Wriothesley, ambassador in Flanders, prest for diets to be appointed and post money, 100*l.* *Steph. Vaughan, diets at 20*s.* a day, and post money 50*l.*

Wages in Oct. a° 30:—Trumpeters, &c. as in September, except the Almain armourers. Noyall Zale, has 33*s.* 4*d.*, Thos. Apper, *nihil quia mortuus.*

f. 42*b.* Total payments in October, 850*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.*

f. 43. *November*:—All-Hallow'n Day at York Place, the King's offering at taking his rights, 6*s.* 8*d.*; at high mass, 13*s.* 4*d.*; the heralds at arms for largess, 100*s.*; the children

† The end of the August payments being lost as noticed above.

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of the Chapel "for singing of *Audivi vocem* on Allhallonday," 20*s.*; offering on "All Solnedey," 6*s.* 8*d.* Sundays [3rd, 10th, 17th,] at York Place. Sunday [24th] at Hampton Court. Offerings and weekly alms as usual; also an offering on St. Andrew's Day.

Wages of yeomen of the Chamber, 104*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*; of Almain armourers at Greenwich, from 8 (*sic*) Nov. to 11 Dec., 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Wm. Temple, King's fletcher, on warrant of 20 July, a° 30, for 78 sheaf of arrows with cases and girdles, at 5*s.* 4*d.* each, for the King's guard, 20*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* *Gilbert Dethicke, "riding in the King's business into sundry places,"
f. 43*b.* on two bills signed by my lord Privy Seal, 13*s.* 4*d.* Ric. Awnsham, groom porter, laid out on "stuff for the King's use to be occupied in his Grace's chamber" (*i.e.* 2 "fire forks, both weighing 94 lb., of iron," at 12*d.* a pound, 15*s.* 8*d.* (*sic*), 18 "stoles" at 12*d.* each, 2 iron plates 13*s.* 4*d.*, 4 "skrynes" at 4*s.* each, 1 doz. pair of snuffers, 4*s.*) on my lord Chamberlain's bill, 67*s.* Sir Chr. Morrice, master of the Ordnance, on warrant of 11 Oct.† for 200*l.* (as in October), full payment, 100*l.* *John Williams and Ric. Pollard, expenses in the King's service as in bill of particulars annexed, 77*l.* 5*s.* *Fras. Pytcher, sent with letters of importance to the ambassadors in Flanders, 70*s.* Jas. Nedeham, 100*l.* due in October. Sir Fras. Bryan, on warrant of 17 Nov., "for taking of one thousand quick deer within divers the King's parks, for the replenishing of the parks of Nonesuch and
f. 44. Kinton," 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Dr. Kerne, ambassador in Flanders, prest for diets to be appointed, 50*l.* *Nic. Pelle, courier, sent with letters of importance to Sir Thos. Wyatt, ambassador with the Emperor, 30*l.* *Fras. Pytcher, sent with letters of importance to Mr. Wriothesley and other ambassadors in Flanders, going and coming, 7*l.* Sir Fras. Bryan, on warrant of 23 Nov. "for taking 200 deer for the storing of the King's new park beside Ampthill called Combes Park," part payment, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Robt. Lorde, on warrant of 23 Nov., to be employed at the King's manors of Hampton Court, Nonesuche, and Otland, 1000*l.* *Hen. Corkebecke, "a truthie," reward "for certain service done," 20*l.*

Wages in November, a° 30:—Trumpets, &c., as in October, with the addition of Arthur Dewes, luter, 10*s.*, and Sebastian Lesney, clockmaker, 20*s.*

Total payments in November, 1,904*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.*

f. 46. *December*:—Sunday [1st] at Hampton Court, the children of the Chapel, reward, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Sundays [8th, 15th] at Hampton Court. Sunday [22nd] at York Place. Wednesday, Christmas Day, the King's offering at taking his rights, 6*s.* 8*d.*; at high mass, 13*s.* 4*d.*; to the heralds, 100*s.*; the children of the Chapel for singing *Gloria in excelsis*, 40*s.* Sunday [29th] at Greenwich. Offerings and weekly alms as usual, and also offerings on the days of St. Thomas, St. Stephen, St. John, and St. Innocents.

Ric. Wygan, Hen. Atkins, John Hopkins, Wm. Kinde, and Edw. Brigges, messengers of the Chamber, riding by command of the King and Council, on bills signed by divers
f. 46*b.* of the Council, 11*l.* 13*s.* Wages of the Almain armourers, 12 Dec. to 8 Jan., 28*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Robt. Draper, John Halile, and John Kirby, board wages, being absent from Court from 29 April to 8 June, 29 days at 8*d.* a day each, 78*s.*; again 28 Aug. to 23 Dec. 116 days, 11*l.* 12*s.*; charges in "carrying of certain plate by water and other ways at sundry times to the King's Grace, and for cariage a (*sic*) certain plate" received of his Grace at sundry times, from 29 April to 23 Dec., as appears by bill signed by them, 10*s.* 4*d.* Yeomen of the Chamber, 108*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* Robt. Dell Wood, for hire of a house in London for "the rich coats of the Guard," for one quarter ended Christmas a° 30, 8*s.* 8*d.* Mich. Davy, for conveying money from London to the Court for wages and other payments there in the King's progress from Christmas a° 28 to Christmas a° 30, and for hire of divers houses to pay these wages in, as at Guildford, Esthamstede, Petworth, Cowdrye, Portsmouth, Arundell, Dover, Canterbury, and "other places in the said [progress]‡ overlong to reherse," 33*s.* 4*d.* John Miston, "one of 4*d.* by day," advance of wages for one whole year
f. 47. from 1 Oct. a° 30, 6*l.* 20*d.* Mr. Ant. Kingiston, warden of the hawks, wages at 2*s.* a day for one whole year beforehand from 1 April next, up to which time he is already paid, 36*l.* 10*s.* Thos. Welden, chief clerk of the Kitchen, on warrant of 1 Oct. a° 30, for wages

† The date is given as 12 October before.

‡ Word omitted in MS.

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of 2*d.* a day for keeping the King's butts at Windsor, payable quarterly from Midsummer last, half year's payment, 30*s.* 8*d.* Ric. Warde, by *liberate* dormant of 8 Nov. a° 30, for 4*d.* a day for keeping the armoury at Windsor, payable at Easter and Michaelmas, *vice* Thos. Warde, his father, who died 1 July last and received wages up to 1 July, wages for July, Aug., and Sept., 30*s.* "Item, where John Brigges, late clerke of the King's wardrobe died in July a° 29°, and report was made that he died 24 Junii a° 29°, by reason of which report there was no money paid to him for that quarter;" on certificate of John Rede, executor to the said Brigges, Jas. Jaskyn, now clerk of the Wardrobe, and others, that the said Brigges died in July, payment is made to Rede for the Midsummer quarter, 70*s.*

f. 47*b.* Walter de Lyen *alias* Galtherus de Lenns, on warrant of 31 Oct., for 100 *crs. soleil* yearly, payable quarterly from Michaelmas last, 5*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Jas. de Garnado, "one of the escuyeres de escurye of the King's stable," on warrant of 28 Oct., for 40*l.* a year, payable quarterly, from Michaelmas last, 10*l.* Nic. de Modecio, on warrant of 21 April a° 29, for 10*l.* a year payable quarterly from Lady Day last, and 20*s.* a year for livery, three quarters, 8*l.* 5*s.* Alex. Penny, taborer, appointed a drumslade, by warrant of 5 Oct., at 6*d.* a day, one quarter, 45*s.* 6*d.*, paid to Mich. Davy, 6 Jan. a° 30. Ant. Chabo, King's surgeon, half year's wages in advance from Christmas, 20*l.* Augustine de Augustinis, physician, half year's wages due at Lady Day next, 25*l.* The yeomen

f. 48. of the Guard at 4*d.* a day, for one quarter, on warrant, 291*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; those at 6*d.* a day, 70*l.* 10*s.* On warrant of 30 Oct. for yearly payment of 12*d.* a day "to Anthony Basson, maker of divers instruments of musick," from Midsummer a° 30°, payable quarterly, one half year's wages, 9*l.* 4*s.* *Hans Holbyn, one of the King's painters, "at this time sent about certain his Grace's affairs into the parts of High Burgony," reward, 10*l.* *The bp. of Winchester, in full payment of 282*l.* by him disbursed to posts and couriers, from 23 June a° 29 to 31 Aug. a° 30, "for so much money paid and allowed to Sir Francis Bryan, knight, upon a letter of exchange of Anthony Bonvix," as shown by a bill of particulars, 165*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Wm. Raynsford, gentleman usher of the Chamber, "for certain green cloth and hanging of the scaffold at Westminster Hall and for other allowances in that behalf," 15*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* Jas. Nedeham, 100*l.* due 30 Nov. *Philip of the Privy Chamber,† "for supplement of the rest of his costs, riding in post to Hispayne to the

f. 48*b.* Emperor's Court and returning, for the pains and labour he took," 100*l.* *Rof (*sic*), one of the heralds of the King's nephew the king of Scots, reward, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Fras Pycher, sent in post with letters of importance to Mr. Wriothesley, ambassador in Flanders, going and coming, 7*l.* 10*s.* *Robt. Trueman, reward, 100*s.* Sir Fras. Bryan, on warrant of 14 Dec. "for taking of 120 quick deer, and 80 quick deer of antelere, within his Highness' chase of Alice Holt, and for conveying of them to his park of Asshere towards the replenishing of the same, after the rate of 3*s.* 4*d.* a piece," 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *John Lunis and Hen. Hannerself, falconers to the duke of Spurce, reward for bringing hawks from the said Duke, 20*l.* *Sir Wm. Goringe and Mr. Will. (*sic*),‡ charges sustained as the King's commissioners for "disgarnishing of the shrine at Chechester and bringing the same to the Tower of London," 40*l.* *Mr. Wriothesley, ambassador in Flanders,

f. 49. prest of diets to be appointed, 210*l.* The Commissioners in the Marches of Wales, on warrant dormant, part payment for one quarter fully run at Christmas last, 20*l.* Wm. Gonson, on warrant of 10 Nov., prest "for payment of wages and victuals due to the keepers of the King's ships at Rye in the Thamys," from 24 June last to 22 Dec., 78*l.* 8*d.* *Jas. Nedeham, "for the costs and charges of the scaffold made in the King's Hall at Westminster at the condemnation of the late malefactors and traitors§ there," 28*l.* 19½*d.* John Briket, master cook, on warrant dormant, dated —— (*blank*) Dec. a° 30°, "for thapparelling of 33 gallapyns," 50*l.*

Wages in Dec., a° 30°:—Trumpets, &c., as in November.

50 *b.* Quarter's wages at Christmas; a° 30°:—As at Michaelmas. John Sodo is here John Desodo. Bernard de Mela is omitted and Ant. Sentleger, of the Privy Chamber, 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, added. The warden of the Grey Friars at Greenwich has *nihil.*

† Philip Hoby. ‡ Wm. Erneley. *See* No. 1049.
§ Exeter, Montague, &c.

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f. 53. Rewards given on Wednesday, New Year's Day, at Greenwich :—The heralds at arms, 6*l.*; marshals and officers of the hall, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the King's watch on New Year's eve, 40*s.*; trumpeters, 100*s.*; porters of the gate, 40*s.*; old sagbutts, 50*s.*; pages of the Chamber, 20*s.*; drumslades, in reward, 20*s.*; the "still mynstrells, in reward," 4*l.*; the new sagbutts in reward, 4*l.*; John Gates of the Robes, 40*s.*; Iron Brereton, of the Privy Chamber, 40*s.*; John Penn, barber, in reward, 40*s.*; Wm. More, Thos. Evans, Thos. Bowman, and Andrew Newman, minstrels, in reward, 40*s.*; Edm. Barbour, in reward, 40*s.*; Wm. Hammon, of the leish, 10*s.*; four children of the leish, 40*s.*; Robt. Draper, of the Jewel House, 40*s.*; Bucsted, the King's bowyer, 20*s.*; Wm. Grenway, a bowyer 13*s.* 4*d.*; "Mr. Crane, for playing with the children before the King," 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the King's fletcher, in reward, 20*s.*; John Wawyn, a bowyer, 10*s.*; Wm. Sherinton, of the Robes. 40*s.*; Alex. Gingham, in reward, 20*s.*; Alex. de Bollony, 20*s.*; Hanyball, a farrier, in reward, 20*s.*; the King's vials, 20*s.*; the gentlemen of the Chapel, in reward, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; Fras. de Rege, in reward, 20*s.*; "three hunts of the privy
f. 53*b.* buckhounds," 20*s.*; John Wood and Coper that gave the King pheasants, 20*s.*; the four hunts, in reward, 20*s.*; Thos. Bolley, bowyer, in reward, 10*s.*; Ric. Holland, a fletcher, 13*s.* 4*d.*; John Norris's servant, in reward, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Raynsford's servant, in reward, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Ric. White, that gave two bows to the King, 10*s.*; John Wattes, that gave two bows, 10*s.*; Archaungel Arcan, that gave perfumed gloves, 20*s.*; Ric. Rawlins, that gave two bows, 10*s.*; Grene, coffermaker, that gave a goodly coffer, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Mr. Ric. Cromwell's servant, 13*s.* 4*d.*; the treasurer of the Augmentations' servant, 13*s.* 4*d.*; Jenyns and Robt. Bowcher of the Privy Chamber, in reward, 40*s.* each; John Halylie of the Jewel House, 40*s.*; Mr. Bream's, servant in reward, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Geo. Aynsbery's servant, "that gave a pair of perfumed gloves," 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Godsalve's servant, that brought two New Testaments, 6*s.* 8*d.*; servants of Mr. Elderton and Mr. Burche, 6*s.* 8*d.* each; of Mr. Long, 13*s.* 4*d.*; of Ant, Toto, that brought "a depicted table of Calomia," 6*s.* 8*d.*; Wm. Stafford and Wm. Polyver, each for two bows, 10*s.*; servants of Dr. Leighton, 5*s.* Peter Mewtis, 6*s.* 8*d.*, Philip Hobby, 40*s.*, Mr. Penyson, 10*s.*, and Dr. Augustyn, physician, 10*s.*; Ric. Enyons, Thos. Corde, Wm. Carpenter, Ric. Wallis, Edm. Tale, each for two bows, 10*s.*

Servants of the bishops of Winchester, Exeter, York, and Durham, 40*s.* each; of
f. 54. Canterbury, 53*s.* 4*d.*; of Lincoln, Carlisle, London, Bath, Chester, Ely, Salisbury Rochester, Worcester, Chichester, Hereford, St. David's, and Llandaff, 20*s.* each.

Servants of the abbots of Peterborough, Westminster, Reading, Ramsey, St. Mary Abbey (40*s.*), St. Alban's, Glastonbury (40*s.*), and Waltham, and of the prior of Christchurch, 20*s.* each.

Servants of Dr. Lupton, Dr. Bentley (6*s.* 8*d.*), Dr. Chambre, the archdeacon of Richmond, Mr. Magnus (20*s.*), and Mr. Frankelin, dean of Windsor, 13*s.* 4*d.* each.

Servants to my lord Prince, 53*s.* 4*d.*, the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, 40*s.* each, the earls of Rutland, Westmoreland (40*s.*), Oxford, Wiltshire, Sussex, Huntingdon, Derby,
f. 54*b.* Hampton, and Hertford, Marquis Dorset, and earls of Bridgewater, Essex and Shrewsbury, 20*s.* each.

Servants to the lords Chancellor, Privy Seal, Stafford, Chamberlain, Audeley, Lisley, Souch, Windsor, Powis, of St. John's, Monteagle, Morley, William Howard, Borough, Mountjoy and Richard Grey, the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 6th, 40*s.* each, the rest 20*s.* except Howard, Mountjoy and Grey who have but 13*s.* 4*d.*

Servants to the lady Mary, (53*s.* 4*d.*), the duchess of Suffolk,[1] the old lady of Norfolk,[1] the ladies of Westmoreland,[1] Rutland, ladies Powis, Sandes,[1] Dorset,[1] Huntingdon,[1] Mounteagle, Audeley (40*s.*), the lady of Kent,[2] ladies Wollopp, Rochford, Broune,[2] Bryan,[2] young lady Marquis Dorset,[1] ladies Guildford, Derby,[1] Caltrope, Baynton,[2]
f. 55. Hertford, Kingston, Russell, Hampton, Hawarde,[2] Russell of Worcestershire, Zouche, Shelton, Paulet,[2] young lady Knevet, ladies Hennage, Dudley, Page, lady of Sussex, ladies Bridgwater,[1] lady of Kildare, lady Margaret Grey, lady Harbert of Troy, Mrs. Hil,[2] (this case "in reward"), Mrs. Denys,[2] and Mrs. Chamborne.[2] The amount is in most cases 13*s.* 4*d.* but those marked ([1]), above have 20*s.*, and those marked ([2]) but 10*s.*

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Servants of Mr. Treasurer (20*s.*), Mr. Comptroller (20*s.*), Sir John Dauncy, Sir Ric. Weston, Sir Edw. Baynton, Sir Wm. Kinston, Sir Thos. Palmer, Sir Ant. Broune, Sir John Aleyn, Sir Brian Tuke (20*s.*), Sir John Nevell, Sir Arthur Darcy, Sir Thos. Nevell, Sir John Dudley, Sir John Shelton, Sir Fras. Bryan, Sir Thos. Cheyny, Mr. Gostwicke,
f. 55*b.* the master of the Jewels, Mr. Welsborne, Sir Thos Hennage (20*s.*), Sir Ric. Gresham, John Cavalcant, Wm. Lock (10*s.*), Domyngo (10*s.*), Sir John a Briges, Sir John Wallop, Sir Hen. Knevet, Mr. Pollard (20*s.*), Sir Ric. Page, the King's players for playing before the King this Christmas (6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*), and Peter Vans; 13*s.* 4*d.* a-piece except where otherwise indicated.

Guilliam de Trosshes, Guilliam Duwayt, Petie John, and Noyall Zale, minstrels, 4*l.*, (collectively); Ant. Carsydony's servant, 6*s.* 8*d.*, Edw. Blacney that gave a gilt sword, 40*s.*, Bastard Falconbrige's servant 6*s.* 8*d.*, the Chancellor's servant of the Augmentations 20*s.*, Ralph Pilkington that gave a velvet purse garnished with gold, 20*s.*; Mr. Edgar's servant, in reward, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Mr. Robt. Seymour's servant, 10*s.*; Mr. Chambre's servant of the Temple, that gave a piece of velvet, 10*s.*; Mr. Ant. Deny's servant, 13*s.* 4*d.*; Chr. Milliner's servant, that brought a hat garnished with gold, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Cornelis Symson, smith, that gave "an iron wrought to hang the Sacrament on," 5*s.*; Mr. Hare's servant, in reward, 10*s.*; John Gresham's, 10*s.*; Mr. Morys', that brought four satin purses, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Sir Wm. Pounder that brought a pair of gilt spurs, 5*s.*; a woman that gave a book of wax, 10*s.*; Thos. Butler that gave a gilt sword, 40*s.*; Jas. Foteman, in reward, 40*s.*; Thos. Hasilwood's servant, 13*s.* 4*d.*; Mr. North's, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Bartlett the King's printer's servant that brought "a book covered with crimosen saten embradered," 6*s.* 8*d.*; Ant. Donrige that brought "a case of green velvet with iiij cups and a White spaniel, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Walter de Lynnis that gave a book, Luke Hornebaud that gave a screen, and John Rypley, King's
f. 56. joiner, that brought "a desk with boxes," 6*s.* 8*d.* each; "divers poor men, women and children that gave the King capons, hens, oranges, apples, books of wax, and other trifles, in reward, 69*s.* 8*d.*"; Mich. Mercator that gave two handguns, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Robt. Morehous, that gave "a purse with buttons of gold," 6*s.* 8*d.*; Philip Parys' servant that gave a chalice of gold, 10*s.*; Matthew de Johna, tumbler, 10*s.*; Ant. de Basson, that gave "a case of connys," 20*s.*; the Queen's players for playing before the King this Christmas, 4*l.*; Jas. Hubert that gave "figges and reasons of the son," 40*s.*; the Prince's players for playing before the King this Christmas, 4*l.*; Fabyan Wythers' goldsmith's, servant that gave "pomegarnads," 6*s.* 8*d.*: Robert Lorde's servant, in reward, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Pynto "y^{t} broght y^{e} King Jenoweyhens," 20*s.*; Robt. More, in reward, 20*s.*

Total payments in December, 2,862*l.* 17*s.* 9½d.

Total payments from 1 Oct. to 31 Dec. a° 30°, 5,618*l.* 2*s.* 8½*d.*

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1 Jan. **1.** PUIGUILLON to MADAME (MARY OF GUISE).

Balcarres MS. III. 99. Adv. Lib. Edin.

Has been desired by her father and the Chancellor also to get her contract of marriage, as nothing can be done about her affairs, either of her marriage or of the money due to her till then. Desires her therefore to send it as soon as possible. Since he last wrote by the *controleur des postes* the Chancellor has told him what the King proposes to do about her marriage, viz., from the 150,000 francs which he promises to deliver to the King of Scotland he intends him to take (*il lentend prendre*) 120,000 francs. which you have already had in your first marriage, and he will supply only the remaining 30,000. He wishes to see the contract to know what claim her son has, and how it is to be met. As to the 45,000 francs which I sue for, they mean to comprehend the 20,000 remaining of the promise which the King made you on your first marriage in the said sum of 120,000 francs, which 20,000 francs they will pay in ready money to the King of Scotland, in case the said marriage take effect; and as to the 25,000 of the pensions, they offer also to deliver them, but they intend it to acquit your son of whatever be found "redevable envers vous" of the moneys already received of your said marriage. That is what they propose to do and I think it very strange and very injurious to your son, for they take from him all his property, and from you "la lyberte diceluy." I have shown it all to your father, who is much vexed, and have told the Chancellor you would never agree to such a thing, and the matter has been left in abeyance till the return of the Cardinal and the Grand Master, and till they have seen the contract. Begs to know her mind by the bearer of it. But that I feared they would make some treaty in the meanwhile I would have gone to you myself. The Scotch ambassador sues hard and is wearied with the dissimulation, but these things are mischievous, for he says he has no charge except to demand your person, and for the rest he has sent the King "son blanq signe." Has demanded of the Chancellor the 28,000 francs of the pension due before the late Monseigneur (duke of Longueville) was married, "maiz il dict que il maizon (*sic*) ne la demandee et que cella est tropt vieulx. Suffira bien que le Roy paie la nouvelle." Your father would not speak of it till the conclusion of the rest was made. Four days ago it was thought peace was made, but some dispute has since arisen which is not yet settled, and there is no surety yet. The deputies of the King and the Emperor are a league distant from each other and have conferences every two days, in hope of making some good peace or long truce. Montpelier, this first day of the year. *Signed:* Debeauquerk.

Hol., Fr. p. 1. *Add.:* A Madame. *Endd.:* Puisguillon.

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2. ROBT. SOWTHWELL to WRIOTHESLEY.*

R. O. Being so much occupied with his despatch into Norfolk requests Wriothesley to present my Lord† with these five things for him, and deliver his letter. Sends the purse sealed that the bearer may not look therein.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To good Mr. Wrysley. *Endd.*

[Jan.] **3.** ROBERT SOWTHWELL to WRIOTHESLEY.

R. O. I beg you will help my brother to my Lord's† presence with books concerning our proceedings at Westacre. Among the rest I made an instrument comprehending the recognition of the offences‡ committed by the religious against the King with other matter therein, which I beg you to perusé before it comes to my Lord's hands, and if you approve let him see it. Commendations to Mrs. Wriothesley. If my brother cannot come to my Lord's presence pray deliver the writings yourself.

Hol. p. 1. *Add.:* To the Right Worshipful Thomas Wrysley, Esq.

15 Jan. **4.** WALTER LORD HUNGERFORD to CROMWELL.

R. O. I thank you for your letters in my favour to the rector of Edyngton, and prior of Henton to be their steward. They have fulfilled your desire. Please remember the matter between the earl of Huntingdon and me, so that I might wait on you this term, for the earl and his adherents intend me no good by their delaying, as you shall further know at my coming up, which shall be as soon as Harry Pany the bearer, shall know your pleasure, whether the said Earl has certified that he will come up or no. The Earl will delay until he sees his chance. Please give credence to the bearer, Farleygh, 15 Jan.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Sealed. Endd.*

[Jan. or Feb. ?] **5.** CROMWELL'S REMEMBRANCES.

R. O. "First touching the abbot of Bury to gather the King's tenth in the archdeaconry of Suffolk." The commission for the *oyer determiner* into Gloucestershire; the like into Oxfordshire; and into all shires, "with a great charge to justices of assise." The lord Chancellor to have all the justices of peace before him tomorrow in the Starred chamber, "specially giving them charge for bruiting of n[ews], vagabonds and unlawful games." For the repair hither of Sir Thomas Wh[arton]. Item, [touching] the lord Lumbley. "[Item, the sending] down of Bryght and . . . . . ens."

In Cromwell's hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* Remembrances.

24 Feb. **6.** CECILY LADY DUDLEY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Glad to hear of your good health. Your lordship knows that by means of my lord my husband I and mine are utterly undone unless the King take pity of us. I have little above 20*l.* a year which I have by my lady my mother,§ to find me and one of my daughters, with a woman and a man to wait upon me, and unless the good prioress of N[un]eaton gave us meat and drink of free cost I could not tell what shift to make. "And besides that, whensoever any of my children comes hither to see me they be welcome unto

* Probably early in January 1538. See Part I., No. 85. † Cromwell.
‡ See Part I., No. 86. § Cecily, wife of Thomas Grey, first Marquis of Dorset.

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6. Cecily Lady Dudley to Cromwell—*cont.*

the prioress as long as they list to tarry, horse meat and man's meat, and cost them nothing, with a piece of gold or two in their purses at their departure." If ought should come to the house of Nuneaton I stand in a hard case. I thank you for your goodness to my son Edward Dudley, especially in his suit to my lady Bartley*, in which you wrote and procured the King's letters as if for your own son. Nevertheless he has not been successful; which has been to his great cost and hindrance, as he has been this great while living on me and other friends. I see he has been bold to come to dinner and supper with your lordship by your goodness, which I beg you will continue. Nuneaton, 24 Feb. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Slightly mutilated. Add.:* My lord Privy Seal. *Endd.:* Anno xxx°.

*** The above letter was supposed, from its endorsement, to be of the year 1539, or it would have appeared in its proper place in Part I. of the present volume. The letter of Edward Dudley (or Sutton) here subjoined was manifestly written in the preceding December; but the date could not have been 1538, as Wriothesley was then in Flanders. It must therefore have been written in 1537, and having been omitted in the correspondence of that year it is here printed as evidence of the date of the other. *See* further evidence in Part I., No. 38.

2. Edward Dudley† to Wriothesley.

R. O. I thank you for procuring me the King's and my lord Privy Seal's letters. They were as effectually devised as could be wished, but I have not been regarded according to the King's desire. "She‡ hath made me a very light answer that she is not minded to marry," and that next term she will make an answer to the King; which is but done for a delay. I cannot follow my suit unless you will "put your helpe with my lady my awnttes the berar hereof" to speak to my lord for a straiter command from the King. She entertained me when I first came most lovingly, "showing she would suffer me to lie in her lap," and she would bring me to my chamber and send the gentlewomen to entertain me; but when I came with the King's letters I was nothing so welcomed. But I think, if my letters had been of commandment instead of request I should have obtained my desire. My heart is so assured to her it is impossible to remove it; and though my suit has been expensive, yet if I were worth 1,000*l.* I would spend it for her sake. At Huk, my lady Mountjoy's house in Dorsetshire, 20 Dec. [1537]

I pray you make all speed possible I have ridden to my lady Mountjoy's my aunt§ and remain there till I have answer. I would have come myself but for lack of money.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Master Wresley.

[Feb. ?] **7.** Hunters in Kent.‖

Royal, MS. 7 cxvi. f. 100 B. M. "Abridgement of the examinations of the hunters in Kent."

Thos. Palar, of Tudeley, yeoman, said that he was called by John Edmeade, a servant of Master Nevell's about Whitsontide last, and they went with several others who were "muffelyd" to Knoll, at about 8 p.m. and hunted with dogs and bows. Does not know how many deer they killed, but there was a grey one amongst them. Was at a similar hunting at North Lye Park shortly before Easter, accompanied with Ric. Horne, West his servant, John Weston, Thos. Boucher, and six others (named); when they killed six or seven deer; and before Shrovetide at the Posterne Park, accompanied

* Berkeley. The lady was Anne, widow of Thomas sixth lord Berkeley.
† Edward Sutton, son of lord Dudley.
‡ Anne, widow of Thomas sixth lord Berkeley.
§ Dorothy, widow of William lord Mountjoy. She was daughter of Thomas first marquis of Dorset.
‖ *See* Part I. No. 318.

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by one Wyllerde, Master Nevill's servant, and six others (named); when they killed two deer, and as the keeper spoke to them, Willerde shot at the window where he stood. Says he heard say that "one Domewright" of Chyvening keeps deer harness and has a man who makes it in his house.

John Denman of Seale, yeoman, admits having been, shortly after Easter was twelve months, at the North Park of Lye, with his brother Will. Denman and a company, whose names he does not remember, and killed certain deer.

Will. Denman of Seale says the same, but thinks Ric. Horne and Meyrick were of the company.

Jasper Eyden of Yalling, yeoman, confesses hunting about Christmas last at Posterne park with John and Ric. Willerde, Ric. Oultrede, and Geo. Penherst (who called him to it) and others whom he knew not, and afterwards at Otford where he met both the Willerds in a company of 15 or 16 and killed five or six deer.

Geo. Penherst, keeper of Northfrith park, says, he went a-hunting at Busshopp's instigation at Knoll park with about 20 persons whom he met (gives some of their names); and was also at the hunting in the Posterne; also, about Christmas was twelvemonth, at Otford; in the beginning of summer was twelvemonth at Hevyndon (being called by John Edmede, servant to Sir Edw. Nevill), where about 16 persons (some named), all hooded and otherwise disguised, as it was in the daytime, killed five or six deer; and last summer twice, first at North park, provoked by Ric. Willerd, jr., and also at the beginning of the summer at Ashewore park by night, where he was brought by Westone.

Further depositions of Thos. Symonde and John West of Hadlow, labourers, John Fathers of Westram, labourer, Ric. Horne of Hadlow, husbandman, Nic. Tesdale of Leeds, yeoman, servant to Sir Thos. Wyot, Thos. Godfrey of Hadlowe, husbandman, Sir Thos. Price, vicar of Frant (who was provoked by Ric. Willerd now deceased to the hunting in Hevindon park on a Friday afternoon), John Edmede (above named), Edw. Harte of Pepenburie, yeoman, Thos. Busshop of Southfrith, yeoman, John Basset of Tunbridge, yeoman, Ric. Fissher of Hadlow, and John Domewright of Chivening, brasier.

ii. "A shorter abridgment of the said examinations," giving in separate columns the names of those confessed and detected in each particular hunting.

iii. A list of 70 "persons newly detected and not yet examined;" among whom are two servants of the earl of Wiltshire and seven of Mr. Nevell.

iv. Further list in a different hand of persons "confessed, examined, and present," and of others "detected, absent, and not examined," (continued apparently at f. 115).

v. Further lists of hunters detected and not yet examined, and of those examined who have confessed.

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[Feb. ?] **8.** Arnauld Guillen.*

R. O. Two petitions of Arnault Guillen de la Lana, merchant of Bordeaux to the King and Council, for payment of the sum of 16*l.* for wines delivered six years ago to the late lord Berners, deputy of Calais. Has applied to the heirs of lord Berners for the money, but they say his goods are in the King's hands. Has also lost 25*l.* on wine furnished to two deceased soldiers of Calais, Jehan Dernam and Barquelant. Desire a licence to import Gascon wine and woad.

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[Bef. 7 March] **9.** Priory of Bradley.

R. O. State of the suppressed house of Bradley, Leic.,† describing the demesne lands, with the amounts of rents received from Bleyston, Slawston,

* See Part I. No. 430, 510.

† See Part I., No. 646(9).

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9. PRIORY OF BRADLEY—*cont.*

Holt, Halyoke, and Eston and payments due to the abbot of Peterborough, Sir John Vyllars, Simon Norwych, the parson of Hallow[ton], and Lord William Hawerd. Clear value, 20*l.* 3*s.* 6½*d.*

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13 March **10.** HENRY EARL OF ESSEX to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to my late letter I have requested certain of my counsel to show you such occasions as have been ministered to me by Thomas Wrenne, one of the King's auditors, concerning my manors of Dringstone and Shelande, Suff. I think you will see I have been ill-used. Basse, 13 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

20 March **11.** CROMWELL to LORD LISLE.

R. O. Is to let his servant Geo. Rows,* pass beyond sea with one servant, two horses, 20*l.* &c., according to the King's pleasure. At the Court, 20 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

[23 March?] **12.** THE ABBOT OF TOWER HILL.†

R. O. "I desire to be discharged of the debts and bargains contained in this book, and that the same may be performed by Sir Thomas Seymour."

To the King for first fruits, 166*l.*; to the earl of Essex, 4*l.* 10*s.*; countess of Kent, 189*l.*; Mr. Anthony Knevit, 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Pygot of the Chapel, 4*l.* 10*s.*; Samfort, 4*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*; Saunder for stuff, 57*s.* 1*d.*; Heygate for sheep, 6*l.* 8*s.*; Mone for the Grange, 5*l.*; Love, 32*s.* 8*d.*; for works 6*l.* 23*s.* 5*d.*; old debt to bp. of London, 45*l.*, towards payment of which my predecessor received from me, 30*l.*

"Bargains to be performed."

For timber to the lord Chancellor, the Chancellor of the Augmentations, Mr. Capelle, Mr. Harleston, Robert Innwe (?), Bryges, John Goddaye, Mr. Christmas and Garat; also "to Cowper of Naylond his bargain or 60*l.*" and "to Pecocke his copy for his lands."

I desire also to have recompense for the debts the house of Tower Hille stands bound to pay by reason of charges for the house of Coggeshalle, 340*l.*

I desire also to have my pension and sufficient sureties for it.

P. 1. *Endd.* The abbot of the Tower Hill.

30 March **13.** PUIGUILLON to MADAME (MARY OF GUISE).

Balcarres MS. III. 100 Adv. Lib. Edin. Mons. De la Vau and I arrived on Wednesday evening at St. Ranbert,‡ and after he had reported his charge to the King, the Constable, and those to whom you had written, they did not find your reply bad except the Chancellor. Nevertheless, I think they will negociate according to your procuration. The conclusion is deferred to Monday next at Lyons. The King has granted "la guarde noble," and Mons. de Villandry has the command of it. I will do my utmost to get it despatched, and also to get the letters of the Marquis. Commends the bearer who is going to her express. All the Court will be to-morrow at Lyons. Chezelles, Saturday 30 March. *Signed.:* Debeauquerk.

Hol., Fr. p. 1. *Add.:* A Madame. *Endd.* M. De Puisguillon.

* Doubtless the brother of Anthony Rowse. *See* Part I., Nos. 633, 908.

† This document is the same in substance as No. 221(2) in Part I., but probably differs from it a little in point of date, whatever the precise date of either may be, as the sums are a little different. It is placed here for convenience under the date of the grant to Sir Thomas Seymour 23 March 1538. *See* Part I. No. 646(61).

‡ St. Rambert in Dauphiné.

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[March.] **14.** HENRY VIII. and CHARLES V.*

Vit. B. xx. 182. B. M. Substance of conferences held by [Wyatt] with the Emperor and his Ministers.

"Grandevile and Covos said that the str . . . . . been long in the Kinges hignes han[ds] . . . . . concluded the first alliance and nowe . . . . . second much more. For of the peax . . . . . nothing to passe after these alliances withou[t] . . . . . consent and counsail, nor nothing but to . . . . . of all matters as things treated amongst th . . . . . some knott be knit they know not how to pr[oceed] . . . . . doon, the rest must follow of necessite.†

"No man alive shall have th'arbitrament of . . . . . nor the bishop of Rome shall be any other than . . . . . and yet the King's majesty concluding these alliances‡ . . . . . given in maner expresse sentence, whither (whether) Millan . . . . . be given to the French King or no how it shul[d] . . . . . or if he had it not who shuld have it and howe . . . . . this gear must be resolved the matiers woll suffre . . . . . long delays.

"Th'Emperor affirmed their words touching the arbitrement [to be] a thing never meant. And as for th'alliances he und[erstood] not how they were intended, but of truth they be mervelous good overtures, and such as when I should ac[t] for my daughter I wold wish no better partie, saving [that] their years agree not; but I may have other and thise matiers be yong. Wold God we had concluded oon thing and the rest shuld the better succede. Touching the second daughter he noted the life and death of her mother.

"Grandevile and Covos found great lack in the genera[l] of the matters and the joyning of the new overture [with the] alliances, which they hartely embraced, specially of the p . . . . saying You offer us that we would folowe you to b . . . . of you; but the tyme suffrethe it nowe to be hande [led].

"The Emperor said not precisely heretofore that he had . . . consented to the Council, but that he had [not] expressly granted the place, although [he thought] it good enough. In which point they st . . . . . of remembrance or mistaking.

"[Be it re]membred that overture was made by th' Emperor [that he wold] refuse no princes mediation for the peax [and especi]ally the King's highness, the Bishop of Rome [and the] Venetians.

"[T]he French King by Vilie hath answered that [he th]oughe (*thought?*) the Bishop of Rome's mediation good. And [what] of the king of England, quod they. I have, quod he, [ther]ein no charge.

"[T]ouching the dotes, &c.

"They granted to take non ende tyl they may here from the King again absolutely touching the first alliances.

"Th'Emperor findeth the two last alliances very thankful, his difficulty is in the time, and in the yeres of them and in the consent of th'other parts to th'other.

"The meeting at Calais he thinketh not good till some conclucion pass and then he is contented.

"Mem., to note the word touching the French king's right in Milan, which must be gathered of th'Emperor's ambassadors letters.

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* This paper would seem to have been drawn up in March with a view to the conferences between the English Commissioners and the Imperial ambassadors.

† *In margin:* "Oon knot first and then al oon consail."

‡ For the marriages of the King's daughters Mary and Elizabeth and of Prince Edward, *see* Part I., No. 255.

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"Th'Emperor's conclusion upon the point of the peax was that whatsoever ensued the King's highness should be a principal contrahent and that he should have time enough to send his resolution upon these alliances, which being concluded there shall nothing pass without his express consent.

"Touching the Council he will at this assembly do what he can for the proroguing of it for his Majesty's satisfaction; and yet if it should take effect he promiseth to foresee that nothing passe or be treated that should touch the prejudice of his highnes [per]sonne, his realm or interest, desiring him to send [his p]leasure in case anything proceeded.

"Because the King's highnes letters*. . . . . wold not write, but his am[bassadors] . . . . . in this sentence.

"The coming of Mons. de Ta[rbes] . . . . . a good while before the dispeche . . . . . Spayne†.

"Covos and Gradevile sware depely tha[t] . . . . . were come once to more secret and faster [intelligence] we should know such things of impo[rtance written] and spoken by the Frenchmen as we w[ould not] believe."

Pp. 3. *In Wriothesley's hand. With marginal notes in the same hand. Mutilated. Endd.*

Endd.: "The treatie with the Emperor's Ambassadors."

[March ?] **15.** THE DUCHESS OF MILAN and the PRINCESS MARY.

R. O. [Instructions for the English Commissioners.]‡

(1.) If the duchess of Milan shall be offered with her whole rights in Milan, it must be demanded and known what the same be; and if they cannot declare the certainty of it, let it be left to the demand of the thirds. Then it must be known what assurance shall be made for the yearly payment of that duty, requiring it to be assigned in the Low Parts; also what order shall be taken for payment of the 100,000 crs.; part of her dote already granted for Milan, which, by that fact, is hers and not given with her. The Emperor to receive the pension of her dowry there, and the King and she to have assignment on lands, &c., in Flanders, Brabant, and Zealand. (2.) The certainty of her "partage" to be demanded. The promise by Covos and Grandvela of whole Denmark, and the displeasure to the King caused by the variation between their sayings here and the Emperor's sayings there, to be insisted on. The Emperor to compound with Frederic to renounce his title. The Emperor to aid the King to recover Denmark, otherwise he shall appear to show her no "gratuity," which would be unnatural. If they deny that, or qualify it as they did the last day, it must be known how her portion of her father's patrimony may be levied, whether the Emperor will induce Frederic to resign his interest by a fixed day upon a recompense. What the recompense shall be (driving them, if possible, to take it of Denmark, Norway, Sweden, or Holtz), what aid Frederic will give for the recovery of Denmark (for if he have benefit he ought to bear charge) and what aid the Emperor will give. (3.) Her traduction hither to be at the Emperor's

* *In margin:* "The letters desired." † *In margin:* Tarbez and Villye.

‡ This document is another copy of No. 640 in Part I. of this volume, which being undated was overlooked when the documents of March were being arranged, and was supposed at first to have been a paper drawn up in connection with Wriothesley's mission to Flanders in the autumn; which it clearly is not. The mutilations in the Vitellius copy can now be supplied from this.

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charge. (4.) To set forth how it displeased the King to see their offers for the lady Mary's endowment so "exile" that with one quarter of her appointed dote the King could marry her better in his own realm. For, the custom being to give jointure of one quarter of the money given, it appears "half a mock to offer but the twentieth part, seeing the same sum of money would purchase so much as the same amounteth to." And as it is reported from Rome that the Emperor will give Milan to Don Lowys marrying the lady Mary; to know if the Emperor will be bound to do so. Where it was alleged the last day that the Emperor reserved a portion thereof for the investiture, it may be answered that though he should do so, yet, appointing endowment to the lady Mary in proportion to the rest, upon knowing the certainty of that rest he should augment her dote to the fourth part; or else if they will take example of the dower appointed in France to the late French queen, his Grace's sister, His Majesty (the Emperor), will follow that rate in giving the dote. If the Emperor refuse to give investiture of Milan, will he give an equal inheritance to Don Lowys and lady Mary elsewhere—and where, as the King gave the late duke of Richmond his only bastard son, and as much thereof to be appointed to her dowry as for her entertainment is convenient? And in that case His Majesty will give a proportionate dote. (5.) If the French king should by these alliances allege the treaty of perpetual peace broken and withdraw his pension, the Emperor must bind himself to aid the King to recover the same, and that aid to be specified. (6.) The Council would fain know what treaties should be confirmed, and what new articles they wish added; "and further than that to declare unto them both their minds, and what were meet for the King's Majesty to demand." "If they object the traduction of the lady Mary, what is to be answered? And the demeure here of Don Lowys to be two years at the least unless the King's Majesty and Council shall release him in the mean season." (7.) "For the contrahent." (8.) Whether, if both marriages cannot be agreed upon they will go through with the King's marriage and defer the other? (9.) Whether they will send for more ample commission in the time of this conference, seeing they have no power to treat of such matters between the King and the Duchess; or else the King to be at liberty till the Emperor's confirmation come. (10.) Whether, if they will not come plainly to purpose, we shall break off from them and leave them in hope or put them to fear "that we wold shrink from all together."

Pp. 5. *Endd.:* Certain special articles.

[7 April.] **16.** The Grey Friars [Ipswich].*

R. O. *Paper headed:* "This indenture maketh mention of certain utensils remaining still in the Grey Friars for the use of the friars there till my lord Privy Seal's pleasure be further known for the same."

Furniture of the church and various chambers of the house. One of them is the chamber "where that the lord Wentworthe servants lay." Wm. Laurans has the order of all this, and when the friars depart will see it ordered and receive all letters of assignations of them to places.

Pp. 3. *Endd.*

17. The Carmelites of Ipswich to Cromwell.

R. O. Dr. Ingworth, suffragan of the archbishop of Canterbury, Cromwell's deputy visitor, has confiscated the sum of 28*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, which was owing to them for tenements in Ipswich which they had been compelled, by extreme

* *See* Pt. I., No. 699.

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17. The Carmelites of Ipswich to Cromwell—*cont.*

poverty, to sell. He has taxed their daily living and cates at only 4*l.* a year,—a great deal under their ordinary charges. He left 8*l.* of the above sum with Coppin of Ipswich with orders to lend it to the friars only on good security for repayment. Desire Cromwell's assistance.

Large paper, in the form of a petition, p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

12 April. **18.** [Sir] John Spelman to Cromwell.

R. O. This 12th April, I received your letters dated Stepney, 11 April, desiring me to confer on Anthony Brown the office of clerk of assize in my circuit. Albeit I intended to promote one of my sons, I have now given Brown the office frankly. I beg your favour in my suits next term. 12 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[April.] **19.** The Scholars of Oxford to Cromwell.

R. O. Petition of "the whole number of your scholars in Oxford, those only which are the favorers of God's word," showing that this late Lent some of them for their health did use the liberty of the Gospel and ate flesh; but did it secretly to give no occasion for scandal. One, suborned, as it is thought, by their Chancellor, the bp. of Lincoln, has published this abroad to their reproach.* Beg Cromwell to intercede and not suffer the matter to be tried by "such as will strain a gnat and devour a camel."

P. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal, vicegerent, &c.

[April?] **20.** For Thomas Wriothesley.

R. O. The ferm of Chelford and the tithe of Baudesey belonging to Butley. The ferm of the demesnes of Beaulieu with the ponde and 60 qrs. wheat and 60 qrs. barley from Newchurch. The remanet of the demesnes of Southwyk unleased to John White, gent., appointed by composition at the grant to the surrender. The pensions of the late prior and canons of Southwick. The pensions of the late abbot and monks of Beaulieu. A lease of the rent corn of Southwyk. The grant of Comnor for the late abbot of Abingdon. The patent for the portership of Abingdon.

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* Remembrances.

15 May. **21.** John, Abbot of Tewkesbury, to Cromwell.

R. O. Has received Cromwell's letters in behalf of Roger Crosse, and perceives Cromwell is informed that he, to advance a former lease by his predecessor of the parsonage of Little Compton, has avoided Crosse from the possession. It is well known he has always favoured Crosse, even at great expense to himself. Conceives by report of divers learned in the law that his predecessor's lease to Borton, who varies with Crosse, was lawfully cancelled for non-performance of covenants. Wishes the King's letters to the sheriff or justices of the peace to see Crosse restored to the farm. Monastery of Teuxbury, 15 May. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 June. **22.** Sir Walter Stonore to Cromwell.

R. O. I recommend me to your Lordship, and so does my daughter Compton, who has sent your patent, according to my promise when last with you, with

* *See* Part I., No. 811.

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the fee for one year at Michaelmas next, after which you shall be paid yearly. We both desire your Lordship's favour in her causes, else she is like to be wronged. I will show the causes at my next coming up, if I can ride, or else write them. My poor house at Stonore, 17 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

[June.] **23.** Bishop Roland Lee.

Burnet, vi., 206.

Injunctions by Roland, Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, to the clergy of his diocese.

1. To obey the King's injunctions and provide copies of them before Lammas next. 2. To instruct parishioners in the supremacy. 3. Each parish church to have before Pentecost next a book of the whole bible in Latin and also in English, &c. 4. Sermons to be provided by monasteries, &c., in impropriate benefices. 5. The *Paternoster*, *Ave*, and Creed in English to be published every Sunday in the pulpit, and other regulations, among which are some against confessing to friars, and against gaming during divine service; also for instruction of parishioners at least 12 times a year in the essential form of christenings in English that the midwife may use it if necessary.

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[June.] **24.** Anthoinette de Saveuses to Lady Lisle.

R. O.

I have received your letter and thank you for communicating to me your news of Mons. de Riou and his wife, and also for your kind acceptance of the present which the said Sieur made to you at my suggestion. As I perceive you attach so much importance to it, they will not be content with sending you one, but as many as they can get, for Madame de Riou has frequently assured me of their desire to do you and my Lord service. I was much consoled to hear of the good health of my Lord and all your children. I ask pardon for troubling you with the request of the nun, who some time ago wrote to me. If I had known the laws of the king of England, I should never have ventured to speak about it, and I thank you for your answer, for it is impossible to obtain the object. I have great desire to make a present to your daughter Angne, but as she is in England I cannot venture to write to her. However I send the things to you, and if you like you can send them without making mention of me, for as the religieuses there are extirpated, I should be very sorry that she fell into disfavour by receiving a pair of gloves from a nun. I have put upon them the name of St. Agne, her "marrigne," but if I had known the arms of her father and yours, they should have been inserted. When dirty, they should be washed in cold white Spanish lye. If you think it advisable to bestow them otherwise than upon your daughter, do so. I have received two roszinboz, which are only worth 20*s.* each, but I have also received a stoeter, which I would not send to the makers of these bonnets, because those coins are cried down (*misze au bilion*) but I have managed to get them paid the sum which they wrote to me, because I had still some of your money remaining. You write to me to send no more bonnets unless you ask for them; but as formerly you waited so long a time for them, I got a dozen of two kinds made for you a month ago, but if you do not wish them let me know, and I will write to them not to send any more. As you have not sent me any more money for a long time, for money is worth more at Calais than hereabouts, if you wish to do me a favour, send hereafter some white cloth, for there is scarcely any to be got here, good and durable like the English wool. Dunkirk.

Hol. Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

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[June.] **25.** ROCHE ABBEY.

R. O. Scheme of pensions for Roche Abbey.*

The Abbot 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The sub-prior 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The bourser 6*d.* 11 priests monks at 5*l.* each; 4 novices at 66*s.* 8*d.* "The abbot to have his books and the fourth part of the plate, the cattal, the household stuff, a chalice, a vestment, and 30*l.* in money at his departure, with a convenient portion of corn at discretion." Each monk to have at his departure his half-year's pension by way of reward, and 20*s.* besides towards his apparel; also to have his pension and capacity free. Each servant by way of reward to have his half year's wages. The King to pay the debts of the house.

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R. O. 2. Inventory of the lands and goods of the monastery of Roche "by estimation."

Lands and tenements in divers places, about 222*l.*

Plate at the monastery. A cross with a shank parcel gilt, 7 chalices "whereof one lent," one "croche" parcel gilt, a tabernacle which lies in pledge for 40*l.*, 2 gilt salts with one cover, a standing cup with cover parcel gilt, a white bowl; "a alle cupe persulle gilte," 6 masers and 32 spoons.

Cattle. 3 score oxen and kine, 5 carthorses, 2 mares, one foal, and one "stage." 6 score sheep, young and old, and 40 swine.

12 feather beds and things belonging.

4 score quarters wheat and malt.

Fees paid out of the lands:—The corrody of John Keper and his wife 100*s.* To my lord of Hampton for the stewardship of Armthorpe 26*s.* 8*d.* To Thos. Grene for keeping the courts of the monastery, 30*s.* To the bailey of Roukesbye 13*s.* 4*d.*, with a livery coat. To the bailey of Armthorpe 20*s.* and a livery coat. To Jas. Bankes for receiving rents at Sanbeke, Huuton (Hooton), and elsewhere, 20*s.* [Debt] owing to the monastery:—Master Rob. Smidolle (?) 18*l.*

Debts owing by the monastery:—Master Rob. Stelle 40*l.* Will. Hillingworthe 20*l.* Will. Halle of the New Mylne, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

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23 June. **26.** [LORD FITZWARREN to CROMWELL].

R. O. "Right honourable and my singular good lord," according to your letter delivered by your servant John Goodall, I have examined Herry Barrett and John Brasier, committed to Fyssherton gaol by lord Stourton for the robbery of John Fyssher in Dorsetshire, but before your letter came they were let to bail. They made themselves very clear concerning the robbery, but where they were on the day, which was Saturday after the feast of All Saints, they could not depose. As for "sturdy and suspectious persons," many resort to Sarum, but there is such cloaking and negligence in the officers that few are attached, and as I am no justice within Sarum I cannot do my duty. "There is one Geoffrey Calf, [a] masterless parson [th]at resorteth to Sarum and thereabout, lately [par]doned by the King's H[ig]hness for robbing of . . . . . wen of Wiltshire. A . . . . . s blode shedes h . . . . th none there to co . . . . . Also robbery there is . . . . . ut v or vj [mile]s of Sarum divers . . . es, but the doers there[of un]less it be . . . . . such as keep . . . . . pany I can not as ye[t kn]ow. The pars[on of] Fovent [official to Docto]r Duck, archdeacon of Sarum, [comm]itted to Fyssherton gaol . . . . . h and executeth his office th[e]r[e] . . . . . ouse . . . . . no traitor.

* *See* Part I., No. 1248.

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And there be c . . . . . s with plate money and other . . . . . a C. *li.* [as I am cred]ybly informed. What your Lo[rdship's pleasure is t]hat I shall . . . . . according to my duty . . . . . dy." (*The rest is lost or unintelligible through mutilation.*)

P. 1, *mutilated. Endorsed:* "The lord Fitzwarante's letter against Geoffrey Calfe and parson of Fovent, official to Doctor Duke. June xxiij°.

[June or July.] **27.** EXCHANGES.

R. O. Paper headed "Objections and answers upon the bill," *i.e.*, to a proposal forbidding exchanges* of money with foreign countries. The questions raised are, how, if there be no exchange, the King can procure money for his own use in foreign countries, how ambassadors can be paid, whether shippers would not carry over money, how merchants who have never exported commodities can pay their debts abroad, and whether others compelled to purchase cloths for exportation will not enhance the price.

Pp. 2. *A paper from the Conway collection.*

[Bef. 4 July.] **28.** FRIAR WILLIAM ROBYNSON.†

R. O. Before God I certify all who shall see this that I, frere Wm. Robynson, desired the bp. of Llandaff, by his chaplain Dan John Lepyton, to know three points in a certain memorial given by me to the said chaplain at Watton because I heard that the bishop was in great favour with the King and Council. By the first article I intended nothing but to know, as I had been one of the Friars Minors Observants, whether the King and Council would relieve and set up again that "statte." By the second I intended only that if the King would restore the said Observants I would do my best to obtain the King's favour for the same relevation. By the third I intended only to know whether they might keep such rules, agreeable with the statutes of the realm, as they did before; considering that four years past the said Robynson and all other brethren of their "statte" promised to observe the statutes of the realm. Before the King's Council at York I have showed that these were my intents. "Written at Zork by me Frer Wyll'm Robynson."

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[July.]‡ **29.** WHITE FRIARS, LOSENHAM.

R. O. Stuff belonging to the White Friars of Lossenam, praised by Sir John Welles, parson of Newyngton, John Twysdon, farmer there, Harry Loys, Thos. Julyan, and John Hope.

Three vestments, the most valuable being 6*s.* 8*d.*; 3 old corporasses, 8*d.*; a cross with the appurtenances, 2*s.* 4*d.*; the bell in the steeple, 10*s.*; the hangings of the hall, 4*d.*; a book of Catholycon, 4*d.*; kitchen utensils, &c.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

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* *See* Part I., No. 1453. † *See* Part I., No. 1326.

‡ From the bp. of Dover's letters, Part I., Nos. 1456–7, we may conclude that the date of this document was between the 16th and the 21st July, *i.e.*, between the surrenders made at Sele and at Winchester. *See* Nos. 1394, 1432.

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[July.]* **30.** [Lord Lisle to Cromwell].

R. O. I am in such a case as I think none in my room have ever been. Some of the retinue, though they are under my governance as the King's deputy, set not by it. Eight or nine of them keep a congregation daily in the chamber of a priest named Sir Adrian Staveley, and the Commissary as head. Whoever knocks, no man shall come in, but such as please them. To what intent they be there, I know not, and the charge of the town lies in me. The ordinance is that there shall be no banding. I have spoken to them, but they will not cease. Rather than continue thus, in this high office of charge, I will write to the King to be recalled and have some living at home of less value. The Commissary is so high in heart that he thinks himself above all other and sets by nothing. Unknown to me and without authority, he took a cloth of tynsyn from the altar in Our Lady Church (§ 3 *adds:* "and a coat of tynsyn from an image of Our Lady,") saying he would make a bed of it, with many other usurpations too tedious to write. I beseech your Lordship to cause them of the retinue to surcease and keep and furnish the market and to follow the ordinance. The parish priest disannuls in the pulpit sundry things which the King does not in his injunctions. I hear he does it upon the instruction of the Commissary and his associates.

Copy, p. 1.

R. O. 2. Another copy of the same.

Pp. 2. *Headed:* To my lord Privy Seal.

R. O. 3. Draft letter to the same effect, though in different words. An additional complaint is that the Commissary's party have taken upon themselves "without mine assent to pull down images."

P. 1. *Endd.:* To my lord Privy Seal.

12 Aug. **31.** Adrien Revel to Lord Lisle.

R. O. According to Lord Lisle's letter, sends 45 dozen quails. They cost 20*d.* tournois a dozen and 55*s.* for the cages, without counting other expenses such as the horse and the man. Excuses himself for not having sent them before. There are so many English who catch them, that he could not get such a number. His wife sends some cheese. Asks him to pay the bearer named Jehan David. Recommendations to Lady Lisle. 12 Aug. 1538.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

13 [Aug.] **32.** Anthoinette de Saveuzes to Lady Lisle.

R. O. Compliments to the lord Deputy. Thanks her for a yard of "*craupe*" (crape ?) received by the bearer. Sends a dozen nightcaps. They cost 72 *sous;* the half dozen men's nightcaps 6½ *sous* a piece, the women's 5½ *sous*. Please send it in Flemish money. A rougebo is only worth 21 patars, a plipus, 31 patars, an angel only 63 patars. Could not get them made cheaper. If you wish another dozen, send me the order early. Whilst writing I have received letters from Amiens sent by Mons. de Ghouwy. As to what he writes about his little English boy (petit fils d' Angleterre) I should be glad if you would enquire of those who may be acquainted with the child's relatives whether his request may be complied with. Dunkirk, 13th of this month.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

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* See Part I. No. 1464. If this was the letter that Corbet delivered it must have been written not later than 20 July.

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15 Aug. **33.** JEHAN DU BIES [SIEUR DE LENCOURT] to the DEPUTY of CALAIS.

R. O. I have sent a message to Mons du Bies that you would be glad to have some boar's venison. He has made answer that for the present he has none. but will send some as soon as he gets any. The mayor of Vintsencselle (Winchelsea) had liberated the ship of Jehan le Maugnier for which I wrote to you before receiving your letter. It arrived yesterday night in this harbour with its cargo of small wood. Because they have given surety to do all that you shall please to command them, I have forbidden them to unlade until you have received notice. Boulogne, 15 August. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

R. O. 2. Examination of some Frenchmen bringing wood out of England, taken by the pinnace on Aug. 7.

1. Mathin le Brun of Aust in Normandy, mariner, aged 60, deposes that he lately bought of John Bell of Winchelsea, 12,000 billets of wood to distribute to himself and his fellows for use in the herring fishery this season. He asked John Bell if it would be necessary to pay the custom and he said no as it was for their own use. Well, said he, I pray you let me have some little writing in case we should be questioned about it at sea. No, said Bell, it will be needless; no one will hinder you.

2. Guillaume Fourmentyn of Aust, mariner, aged 36, deposes to the same effect. *Signed with two marks.*

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16 Aug. **34.** [LORD LISLE] to MONS. DE LENCOURT.

R. O. I thank you much for the trouble you have taken in intimating to the Seneschal my desire for a piece of boar venison. If he send me some, I will deserve it if I can. As to the wood of Jacques le Maunyer, for this time I will give him leave to discharge it at Boulogne for the sake of Mons. le Seneschal and you. I have to-day written to the customer at Winchelsea to discharge the surety of the said Jaques and annul his obligation, and shortly I hope to speak a word or two to the King my master at Dover, and show him the good friendship I have always found in the Seneschal and you. Calais, 16 Aug.

Fr., Draft, p. 1. *Add.:* A Mons. de Lencourt, lieutenant pour Monseigneur le Seneschal a Boullongne.

25 Aug. **35.** JEHAN DU BIES [SIEUR DE LENCOURT] to the DEPUTY OF CALAIS.

R. O. According to your letter I send you a piece of the best wine the bearer, John, could choose. It cost 6 crowns of the sun and 10 *sous* and 20 *sous* for the carter.

I thank you for the two greyhounds you have sent me. I hope Mons. le Seneschal will be here on Tuesday next, and I will present them to him. Boulogne, Sunday 25 Aug.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

[Aug. ?] **36.** SIR WILLIAM and JOHN MUSGRAVE.*

R. O. *Paper headed*: "Ex parte Musgrave."

Jas. Noble of Kirkbekmouthe, husbandman, aged 80, deposes, 1 and 2, "to the first and second interrogatories," that all the lands in the first

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article belong to Bewcastle, and that 60 years "bipast" when the Liddisdale men came into England and were sworn to king Richard at Carlisle, Sir Richard Ratcliff and 3 others, king Richard's commissioners, let all the lands of Bewcastle to Cuthb. and John Routlege, Robt. Elwald and Gerard Nyxon, and before that "aswell the said castle as all the lands belonging to the same of long time lay wa[ste]." 3. The said four men paid no rent to Lord Dacre or any other, but were "to maintain the King's . . . wars and to keep the borders there and to m . . . . . the captain under the King of the same castle, who then . . . . . Nicolas Ridley." 4. The said 4 men ever "pertained" to the captains of the castle under the King. 5. Thomas lord [Dacre] undertook to occupy under Sir John [Musgrave], captain there, and to keep good rule until my said lord [Dacre] was troubled at London, "and then he di[d send] unto William, now lord Dacre, [that he should] give over his said occupation" to Thos. Musgrave who had succeeded his father as captain. 6. All the time that Thos. lord Dacre ruled under the captain he caused the inhabitants to appear at his court of Askerton; 7. and caused the inhabitants of Todholl, Aikshawe, Kinkerhill, Belbancke, Kirkbekmouth, Masthorne and Polcragane to pay rent to him. 8. Neither lord Dacre, Hymore Stapulton, or any other had rent there before, and it was thought Thomas lord Dacre had made an agreement with Musgrave, until four years past Jack Musgrave commanded the tenants to pay no more rent. 9. John Musgrave took "stresses" two years when Thos. Musgrave was captain. 10. John Musgrave received the farm [bef]ore the late commotion to the use of Sir Willm. [Mus]grave, now captain there. When deponent entered into his farm he paid gressome to Sir John Musgrave aforesaid, captain under "the King that now is."

George Purdon of Belbanke in Bewcastledale, aged 50, makes a similar deposition. When Thos. lord Dacre was in trouble in London, he sent William, now lord Dacre, to give over the rule of Bewcastle to Thos. Musgrave then captain, and forthwith the tenants were assembled at Barresbanke, and the rule was given over.

John Routlege of Kynkerhill, aged 70, gives similar deposition. John Musgrave has received "four years" farm for Wm. Musgr[ave] now captain "and three years thereof was [pa]yed before [the] common time unto John Musgrave." Both Purdon and Routlege depose that the captain was alway with Dacre at the courts at Askerton.

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3 Sept. R. O. **37.** Sir Thos. Clifford to Cromwell.*

Has caused certain breaches in the walls of Berwick to be repaired, for which he has disbursed money himself, and cannot obtain repayment from Sir George Lawson, "treasurer of this the King's town." Desires a warrant to Sir Brian Tuke. Has been sore vexed with sickness, and requests Cromwell to consult with my lord Admiral and Sir Anthony Browne, to whom he has written about it, whether he can be exonerated from his office and recompensed his charges. Skipton, 3 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal.

9 Sept. R. O. [1537—9.] **38.** Joan Vane, Prioress of Dartford, to Cromwell.

I have received your loving letter touching the delivery of Bridget Brownyng, one of my religious company who is not yet professed. She was

* This letter was wrongly inserted in Vol. XI., No. 398, as of the year 1536. *See* Sir Arthur Darcy's letter of the 16th Sept., in this Part, No. 363.

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brought to the late prioress now deceased by her mother long ago to be a recluse, but not at the desire of the said late prioress, nor has she been detained either by her or me, but has been left free to go to her mother, which she has always declined to do. I beg she may come to your lordship's presence. Dartford, 9 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Privy Seal. *Endd.*

16 Sept. R. O. **39.** Walter Lord Hungerford to Cromwell.

Divers men of Westbury under the Playne, Wilts., have showed me of traitrous words spoken by one Richard Henley of Westbury aforesaid, weaver, whose confessions I have herein enclosed. I have committed Henly to Fysherton gaol and taken bonds that all the said men shall be forthcoming to give evidence when commanded. Whereas you were pleased to prefer me to the stewardship of [the] Charterhouse, Wyttham, Soms., I have of late been desired thither upon a dispute between the prior there and his proctor, and perceive by examination that the proctor is no good husband for the said house. Seeing your letters in the proctor's behalf, I advised the prior to let him continue till your Lordship should know further from me of his demeanour. The house is undone if he remain in the office, as you will further learn from this bearer, my servant Harry Pany, whom please credit.

It may please your Lordship that the great matter between the earl of Huntingdon and me may be settled next term if you shall have leisure. Unless you write for him, he will never come. I have been a suitor "this v years day" to have it settled. I would that both our titles were once seen before your Lordship and we should soon be at an end. Farleygh, 16 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* Lord Cromwell. *Sealed. Endd.*

21 Sept. R. O. **40.** Walter Devereux, Lord Ferrers, to Lord Lisle.

Desires a passport for two tuns of Gascon wine.* London, St. Matthew's day. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Deputy of Calais. *Endd.:* My Lord Ferers.

30 Sept. R. O. **41.** Thomas Toyser to Cromwell.

Complains of divers illdoers who have digged for gold and treasure in his lordship of Bryghtwell, Suff. If he may have the King's licence to do so, will not only save such goods and treasure as shall be found there to the King's use, but will the sooner come to the knowledge of these ill-doers. Brightwell, 30 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

42. John Bekynshaw to Lady Lisle.

R. O. This last week Perpoynt delivered me a letter from you with a crown and a pattern of canvas you wished me to send you, which the bearer will carry if he can; else I will send it by the next. I thank you for informing me of your prosperous arrival at Calais, and like departing of my lord of Winchester. I am very glad Mr. James is with him; as I desired his Lordship when he was here that it might be so. Guill. le Gras will send you a bill of "misis" for Mr. James. At Paris.

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5 Oct. **43.** Walter Lord Hungerford to Cromwell.

R. O. Whereas you were so good as to write to the earl of Huntingdon to come up to London for the matter between us to be settled before you and others, at which time he certified you that he could in no case come up. All this is because he would not have his evidence seen, and for the keeping of my lands in Cornwall from me all this long season. Wherefore it may please you to hear us both this term if possible. You wished me to respite, till this term, the bringing of my son unto you: I desire to know when you would have him. I am not so willing to put him unto you as he is to come to your lordship.

Although you did command me to send the vicar of Forde to the common gaol, for speaking against the King, he is still at large in his parish and uses his tongue as unthriftily as ever. I have written many times but had no answer from you what to do. Give credence to the bearer, my servant Harry Pany. Farleygh, 5 October.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Lord Cromwell. *Endd.*

[12 Oct.] **44.** Will. Ernele, and Others, to Cromwell.

R. O. Enclosed we send the declaration and sayings of one Thos. Coke, and the report of Thos. Cheselett, concerning Coke's concealment of words spoken by Ric. Crowmpe,* concerning treason; with both parties to answer before your lordship. *Signed:* Wyllyam Ernele: John Gounter: Elys Bradshaw.

P. 1. *Add.:* Sir Thomas Cromwell, knight, lord Cromwell, one of the King's Councillors.

30 Oct. **45.** Jehan du Bies [Sieur de Lencourt] to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. One of our mariners, Jean le Vasseur, is prisoner in your town of Calais for having wounded a Norman fisherman. I think he has been unjustly treated, for he is a man of good character, and no one here ever complained of him to the Seneschal or myself. I beg you will let him return and gain his living for his wife and family for he is very poor. Boulogne, 30 Oct.

Hol., Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

[30 Oct.] **46.** Marke and Oye Jurisdiction.

R. O. Declaration made before John Rookwoode, bailiff of Marke and Oye, by William Palink, of Volcrynhove, in Flanders, plaintiff, touching a debt which he claims of John Heth, of the parish of Ouderkerke, within Rookwood's jurisdiction. At Midsummer last John Hethe bought of John Scoeneman† within the town of Bourbourghe a mare for 5*l.* Fl., of which he paid 20*s.* in ready money, the plaintiff becoming surety for the rest, but Heth has made default. Scoeneman has sued the plaintiff at Brussels and obtained judgment for the whole amount, as appears "by certificate of the law of Brokselle ready to be showed."

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5 Nov. **47.** Bishop Roland Lee to Cromwell.

R. O. Dr. Edwards, a doctor of physic of Cambridge, whom I sent for for my health, on his way hither had his two geldings stolen from the house of one Mr. Smythe,* archdeacon of Northampton, dwelling in Huntingtonshire, where he that night lay. Contrary to justice, the archdeacon delays restitution or recompense. I desire your favour for the said doctor. Shrewsbury, 5 Nov. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Lord Crumwell, lord Privy Seal. *Endd.*

17 Nov. **48.** Jehan du Bies [Sieur de Lencourt] to the Deputy of Calais.

R. O. One of the two greyhounds given him by the Deputy has helped to catch a wild swine (*beste noire*) on Saturday in the forest of Boulogne, of which M. de Vervins gave the writer half a side. Has made of them two pies, which he begs the Deputy to accept. Boulogne, 17 Nov.

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* Gilbert Smith.

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NOTES AND ERRATA.

(In the numbering of the lines in these references, headings are always excepted.)

PART I.

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1, l. 5. This document must have been drawn up before 18 Oct. 1537, when lord Beauchamp became earl of Hertford. Mr. Comptroller must therefore be Sir Wm. Paulet.

80, l. 1, before "Kedagh" insert "and."

103. Must be of the year 1537, since it appears by No. 190 (21) that the writer was dead before 16 Jan. 1538.

107, p. 37, l. 4, "priest at Durham." *See* Vol. XII., ii. 741.

136, *at end*, for "*P.* 1" read "*Pp.* 2."

147. The abbot's reader was Roger London.

167, in footnote † supply No. left blank, "146."

188, l. 5. For "Exeter" read "Chester."

214, *last line*, "the marriage," *i.e.*, of Octavio Farnese and Margaret duchess of Florence.

218. *See* Note to No. 613.

223, l. 7, "him that will never do me good." Refers to the earl of Hertford.

224. *See* Note to No. 613.

226. 7th line from end. The persons to be married are John Basset and Frances Plantagenet.

241, l. 5. For "the" read "to."

243, l. 13. For "ceme" read "came."

247, l. 16, "the *præmunire* process," *i.e.*, against Butler, the commissary.

247, l. 17, "the abbot," *i.e.*, of Westminster.

262. Most probably referring to the combat (about to take place, *see* No. 265), before the king of France of the lords of Veniers and Sarzay. *See* the account of it in Du Bellay's Memoires, Book VIII.

264. The abbot's reader was Roger London, the Bishop's Ric. Cobbes.

265, l. 4. *See* above Note to No. 262.

281, *last line but one*. For "Franciso" read Francisco."

306, l. 7. For "Lord" read "lord," *i.e.*, the lord of the manor.

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306, last line, for "334" read "333."

339, p. 117, l. 3, "my good lord abbot," *i.e.*, of Westminster.

353. Before the 2nd paragraph supply the Roman number "ii."

368. This letter is of the year 1540.

371, l. 16, "the bereward and his fellow," *i.e.*, Wm. Parr and John Payne.

384 (47), l. 17. For "Epston" read "Eperston."

384 (47), ll. 26, 27, "Stokeford and Stoughton, Beds." The expression is "in dicto com. Bed.," although Bedfordshire has not been mentioned before, and the places, which are referred to on line 16 as in Warwickshire, seem to be Stockingford and Stockton in that county.

384 (74), p. 138, l. 9. *Dele* comma between "Dechenyng" and "Garden."

384, p. 139, c. 1, l. 9. For "Ludershale" read "Ludgarshale."

384, p. 139, c. 1, l. 38. For "Slangham" read "Slaugham."

384, p. 139, c. 1, l. 49. For Eschyngley *read* Erthyngley.

389, p. 146, l. 26. The word "in" ought to stand within the parenthesis.

392, last two lines. Apparently Anthony Fenton had died of the plague. *See* Note on No. 430.

404, l. 6, *Dele* commas between "Yardeley" and "Hastyngs" and between "Ashby" and "Marche."

419, l. 3. The painter referred to is Holbein.

420, last line but one, "Guillaume de Gras." For "de" read "le."

429, l. 2, "some have written." Doubtless referring to Pierre du Val, who had care of James Basset.

430, p. 158, l. 16, "one died in his house." Doubtless Anth. Fenton, referred to in No. 392.

431, line 10. For "Mrs." Weldon read "Mr." Weldon.

519, l. 6, prisoners sent from your lordship," *i.e.*, Wm. Parr and John Payne.

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532, heading. For "William" read "Sir William."

571 (p. 211, l. 10) and 572. The Bishop's reader was Ric. Cobbes.

589, l. 7. The "marriage," *i.e.*, of Octavio Farnese and the duchess of Florence.

603, last line. For the cases referred to, *see* No. 543.

613. If the date of this document (derived from a copy in a modern hand) is to be trusted, the resignation of John Birchinshaw, abbot of Chester, could not have taken place in February 1538 but in February 1539; and in that case Nos. 218, 224, 1145 of this Part, and No. 284 in Part. II., must all be referred to the latter year.

623, p. 230, l. 25. The Pope's legates were the Cardinals Carpi and Jacobaccio, sent to France and Spain respectively.

624 (3), at the end of § iv. (p. 232), for "*Copy, pp.* 2," read "*Copy, pp.* 3."

640. *See* Appendix (in Part II.), No. 15.

645, p. 240. Supply the Arabic figure "2" before the second document.

650, p. 249, l. 3 from bottom, for "three months" read "six months."

707, ll. 10, 11. For the names of the servant and the friar, *see* No. 365.

709, l. 29. Insert "his" before "own."

756, p. 285, l. 35, "two doctors," *i.e.*, Heynes and Bonner.

778, l. 4. The name as given on the Close Roll is "Dasyng," but the real name is certainly Basyng, as Rymer has printed it.

780. This letter is of the year 1539.

796, *at end*, for "*p.* 1" read "*pp.* 2."

806. In P.S., for "gentleman" read "gentlewoman."

821. This document appears in its place according to the date which it actually bears, but it may be suspected that the year should be "31" and not "30" Henry VIII. The pensions were enrolled 12 May 31 Hen. VIII. (1539).

824, l. 2. The case referred to is that of the Morgans. *See* No. 519.

824, l. 9, those three," *i.e.*, Kingston, Bridges, and Poyntz.

838 (2), *at end*, supply "*Pp.* 3."

843, footnote. Supply No. "623."

877, l. 25, "suppression of Warden." This is Walden in Essex, not Warden in Beds, which surrendered in 1537.

878, footnote. For "894" read "896."

879, l. 2. Read "poverty of the Ministers."

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900. For "Sir Thos. Brian" read "Sir Francis Brian."

940, *heading*. For "Hew" read "Sir Hew."

959, *at end*, for "P. 1" read "*Pp.* 2."

973, l. 5. "Our suit." *See* No. 890.

978, l. 1, for "ast" read "last."

981, p. 358, l. 28. Woburn was an offshoot of the abbey of Fountains.

981, p. 361, last line. The founder at this time would be the earl of Oxford, whose ancestor married the daughter and heiress of Hugh de Bolebec, the original founder.

981, *at end* for "*Pp.* 13" read "*Pp.* 16."

1083 (3). *In margin*, supply "R. O."

1115 (63 *and* 67). The top line on p. 414 of No. 63 has been accidentally transferred to the opposite column (line 2).

1115 (67, *line* 9 *from end*). For "Barnand" read "Barnard."

1162, l. 3. For "have" read "want."

1274. This letter must have been written some months later, as Bradshaw was mayor till Michaelmas.

1298 (1), *at end*, for "*Pp.* 3" read *Pp.* 2."

1309 (24, l. 6). For "Thos." read "Robt." earl of Sussex.

1331. This letter is of the year 1539.

1351 *n.* The date of the death of Christopher lord Conyers was 14 June 30 Hen. VIII. (1538), according to an inquisition among the Exchequer Series.

1371. This letter is of the year 1531.

1410, *at end*, for "*p.* 1" read "*pp.* 2."

1411, *at end*, supply "2" *after* "*Pp.*"

1428 (2), l. 18. The two men of Northumberland are named in No. 1403 (2), viz., John Sheale and Hugh Hutchinson.

1428 (2), l. 24. The "gentlewoman," viz., Geo. Kingston's daughter.

1451, last line but two. The "gentleman" was Lassigny.

1473, *at end*, for "*p.* 1" read "*pp.* 2."

1482, *note*. For 1947 read 1497.

1488. The manor spoken of in the P.S. is Drayton Basset.

1500, *at end*, for "*pp.* 1" read "*pp.* 2."

1519 (9). For "lord Grumwell" read "lord Crumwell."

1519 (10, l. 8). For "Edm." read "Edw." Mountagu.

1519 (32). "Thos. —— (*blank*)" must be Thos. Speke. *See* No. 646 (46).

1519 (36). "John —— (*blank*)" must be John Covert. *See* No. 646 (33).

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1519 (38). The footnote is wrong. Sir Chr. Jenney is doubtless intended.

1519 (68, l. 17). For "Barkenall" read "Darkenall."

1519 (68, p. 570, c. 1, l. 51). For "Bukland, Dane" read "Bukland Dane" (one name).

Ib., col. 2, l. 1. For "Gleham" read "Eleham."

Ib., col. 2, l. 6 from bottom, for "Gard" read "Eard." The first letter of the name in the enrolment looks very like G.

Ib. (p. 571, l. 38). *Dele* comma between "Horton" and "Kirkeby."

Ib., (70, l. 14). Insert comma after "Stanton."

Ib., (70, *l.* 15). *Dele* comma between "Thorpe" and "Morellys."

P. 575, col. 2, l. 6, from bottom (under "Coverham") insert "a." before "24*l.*"

P. 576, col. 1. "Redlyngfeld" insert "p." after "Sampson."

P. 576, col. 2. "Whytston." For "Warw." read "Worc."

P. 577, col. 2. Insert "(*sic*)" after "Campsay, Staff." It was in Suffolk.

P. 584. At the end of the pensions, insert:—"*Augm. Book*, 234, *f.* 278 *b.* Keldom, Yorks., Eliz. Lyon, p. 100 *s.* 8 April 29 Hen. VIII."
This warrant has been enrolled among those of the year 31 Hen. VIII.

PART II.

21 (2) *l.* 11. For "S . . . . . " read "S[lapton]".

„ *l.* 19. For "Codbrogke" read "Dodbrogke parish."

Ib. p. 7. 8*th line from bottom.* For "Very" read "Dery."

„ *last line but* 1. For "Carne" read "Carue."

47. The letter is dated at the head, Antwerp, 7 Aug. 1538. No. 48 is also dated at the head.

78, p. 30, ll. 8, 10. The obelus,(†), on each of these lines ought to have been an asterisk (*) as in *l.* 15 to agree with the footnote.

91, *l.* 2. The "town," *i.e.* Wisbeach.

124 (2), *In margin*, supply "R.O."

132, *l.* 41, "the Queen his mother."—The mother of John Cardinal of Lorraine (and also of Anthony, duke of Lorraine) was Philippine de Gueldres, second wife of René II. duke of Lorraine. The title queen was perhaps a family *sobriquet*. She was

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a lady of great age, having married in 1485, lost her husband in 1508, and become a *religieuse* of the Order of St. Clair in 1520. She died in 1547.

144 *page* 55, *line* 2 *from bottom.* His "companion" was Heynes.

159 *page* 62 *heading* for "CROMWELL" read "HENRY VIII."

161. A copy of this letter (apparently one retained by lord Lisle for his own use) has been noticed in the year 1537 (Vol. XII. Part II. No. 564)——prematurely, as appears by the address of this letter, for the Admiral was not earl of Southampton until October 1537. The discrepancy in the first line, "John Bradfyld" in the copy in Vol. XII. and "Thomas Bradfelde" here is in the originals.

164 (p. 65 *line* 11). *For* Rochester *read* Rocester.

226 l. 10. For "ambassador" *read* "ambassadors."

232 l. 6. The "gentleman" was Lassigny.

Ib., p. 90 l. 22. His "hotel by the river side," viz. Chelsea.

„ 27. The "two gentlemen" were Penison and Wallop.

„ 36. His "colleague" *i.e.* Lassigny.

„ 39 "nieces." Anne of Lorraine was his own niece, Mary of Vendôme his wife's.

278 (2). In margin insert "Strype's Eccl. Mem I. ii. No. 91."

284. *See* Note to Part I. No. 613.

318. l. 6. for "his" read "he."

329, for "*p.* 1" read "*pp.* 2."

336, *margin*, for 288 read 588.

342. i. *at end*, for "*pp.* 14" read "*pp.* 15."
ii. for "*pp.* 21" read "*pp.* 23."
iii. for "pp. 32," read "*pp.* 46."

360. "Lord Conyas." This must be John lord Conyers, whose father Christopher had died in the preceding June. *See* note (above) to Part I. No. 1351 footnote. Being a minor, he required Cromwell's leave to come up to London.

394. Some of the signatures have been misread. For "Dode" read "Dodd," for "Arcelen" read "Astelen." And the doubtful name "Woner" should probably be read "Wover" as it is "Over" in No. 650.

403 (2) *ll.* 23, 24. There was no bp. of Ostia at that time called Michael, the succession being as follows: Raphael Galeotto (1503–21), Bernardin Carvajal (1521–15 Dec. 1522), Francis Soderinus (to 18 May 1524), Nicolas Fliscus (June and July 1524), Alex. Farnese (1525–35). *Italia Sacra.*

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454 l. 8, "Sir . . . . . knight." The lost name is "Sir [John Dudley] knight." *See* Lord Lisle's letter to Cromwell, No. 990.

537. Supply reference in margin "C.'s Letters, 330."

550 *p.* 214 (*line* 17. After "practices" insert "by the Emperor."

551, *last line but one.* These "two brethren," *i.e.* Henry Palmer and his brother Sir Thomas.

670, *l.* 5, for "16" read "19."

678, *l.* 1, for "Antell" read "Amtell."

695 (4), for "*Pp.* 4" read "*Pp.* 8."

709 *margin* reference to Ellis should be "3 S. iii. 249."

755, for "*Pp.* 20" read "*Pp.* 23."

830 (5), for "*Pp.* 8" read "*Pp.* 6."

835 *margin*, for Cott. App. I." read "Cott. App. L."

909. From this letter it is clear that No. 1291 in Vol. XII. Part I. belongs really to 1538. The bracketed query "[his]" in that letter is wrong, as Sir Anthony Browne was Fitzwilliam's half-brother. It was evidently written after the receipt of Fitzwilliam's letter of the 13 Dec. (No. 1035 in this Part). Compare No. 1006 just before, written on the 8 Dec.

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965, *margin*, for "Otho. IX" read "Otho. C. IX."

967 (54) col. 2. *ll.* 33, 34. Between these two lines the following words have been omitted: "of Ric. Williams, *alias* Crumwell, nephew of the said Thos. lord Crumwell and the heirs of his body; and in default of such issue to the use."

1016 (3). The document is slightly mutilated.

1063 *margin*, for "Vesp. XIII" read "Vesp. F. XIII."

1122 *margin*, for "Cleop. IV." read "Cleop. E. IV."

1125. Besides the date at the end the document is headed "1538," to which another hand perhaps a little later has prefixed "20 Maii."

App. 2, *l.* 2, for "five" read "four."

App. 7, *margin* for "CXVI." read "C. xvi."

App. 39, for "p. 1" read "pp. 2."

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Basset, Anne. Strike out reference in Part II. "317 (*see* Notes)".

Baynton, Sir Andrew. Strike out reference in Part II. "317 (*see* Notes)."

Bodkin, Chr. Add to reference "*See also* Galway, bp. at."